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DELEGATES AND VISITORS AT CONVENTION

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THE BUSINESS OF THE CONVENTION

All who were fortunate enough to attend the Chicago convention are tempted to describe their personal impressions. Though it would be pleasant to recall these memories, it will be more profitable here to tell somewhat briefly and informally of the work of the five business sessions which, properly speaking, constituted the real convention.

A fundamentally important work of a fraternity convention is the perfecting of the fraternity organization, a process which may be termed the oiling of this big machine "which never stops, which must neither lag nor hasten." At Chicago what was accomplished along this line may be briefly summed up as follows: (1) the outlining in definite terms of an extension policy; (2) the authorization of a national committee of six to increase the interest in the scholarship fund; (3) the instructing of college chapters to elect permanent alumnae secretaries to coöperate with the national archives committee; (4) the decision to issue a new edition of the song book; (5) the authorization of the educational committee to prepare a new syllabus, with the idea of simplifying the work and emphasizing such important topics as scholarship and endowment funds, inter-sorority action, and organization as set forth in the constitution. In connection with this action, the chapters were instructed, upon the return of the marked examination

papers, to devote at least one meeting to the study and discussion of the questions.

One of the most helpful as well as entertaining hours of the convention week was that devoted to the model chapter meeting, so capably planned and conducted by Delta chapter. Another valuable hour, devoted to the discussion of Inter-Sorority Conference and local Pan-Hellenic topics, should assist the active chapters in the solution of local problems.

Two recommendations submitted by the Inter-Sorority Conference were voted upon.

Motion I. Resolved, That sororities in high schools and other secondary schools should be discountenanced, was carried.

Motion II. Moved, that after four years from date of notification by Grand Presidents, each sorority in the Inter-Sorority Conference refuse to admit any young woman who has been a member of a sorority in a high school or secondary school, was lost.

The inevitable session devoted to constitutional amendments was most profitably occupied, one noteworthy result being the provision for a convention vote upon charters, thus avoiding conditions which before have delayed the vote of chapters until the opening of the various colleges. Another wise amendment requires every Kappa Alpha Theta admitted to an alumnae chapter to present credentials from her last college chapter.

In its pre-convention meeting, the Grand Council adopted new Council By-Laws which incorporate a set of detailed instructions to new officers, and which delegate several of the powers granted by the constitution to the Grand Council, to an executive committee composed of the president, secretary and treasurer. The convention recognizing the heavy duties which membership in our Council entails, placed two more officers upon a salaried basis.

The work of the committee on Insignia, with Miss Reynaud as chairman, was especially worthy of mention. The committee have been untiring in their efforts to present to the convention a design for coat-of-arms and crest that would be pleasing and satisfactory, and they were very successful in their undertaking. This coat-of-arms is the only Kappa Alpha Theta cut that is to be used in college annuals, and is the official crest for all official or personal stationery. It is not to be reproduced in jewelry. The convention adopted one size of badge—the medium size—as the official badge of the fraternity. The jewelers were instructed to make new dies; this is to be the only size of badge made and sold hereafter. The distinctness of the three Greek letters on this new pin is the strongest recommendation for it. All jeweled pins are to be set in either pearls or diamonds. The badge is not to be reproduced in jewelry in any form, nor is it to be used in mountings nor stamped on stationery, except as included in our coat-of-arms. It is to be worn as a badge only, not for any utilitarian purpose; nor is it to be worn with any other badge. The important matter of redeeming lost pins was referred to the Grand Council.

The matter of official jewelers and pledge pin was left to the Council. At its meeting following the Convention the Council made no change in its list of official jewelers; it adopted a small black and gold pin as the official pledge pin, the chapter having the privilege of adding the chapter letter to the face of the pin if it so desires. No other pledge pin is to be used.

The legislative duties of the convention being completed, the officers for the new administration were chosen. This closing hour resulted in the unanimous election of Grand President, Anna Harrison, Kappa; Grand Secretary, Pearl Green, Phi; Grand Treasurer, Edith D. Cockins, Alpha Gamma; Editor of the Journal, Charlotte H. Walker, Eta.

Four new District Presidents were elected: Eva Capron, Iota, for Alpha District; Sarah E. Cotton, Beta, will look after affairs in Beta District; Gamma District's President is Jessie Macfarland, of Rho and Iota Alumnae, and Delta District will be in the care of Eva Hall, of Tau chapter.

With such an efficient Grand Council, every one feels assured that the work of the next two years will be characterized by vigorous and substantial advancement.

THE STORY OF THE CONVENTION

"Chicago the next stop! Time to get up, lady!" It was the porter on a passenger train rapidly approaching the city limits. The lady rubbed her eyes and made haste to obey. To her it was the first call for the Chicago convention. It was the 28th day of June,—the day appointed for the assembling of the Grand Council.

The Chicago Beach Hotel had been selected as the convention headquarters. Never did the hotel look more attractive than on that bright June morning. It is located in the center of Chicago's long stretch of parklands, with Lake Michigan at its very door. The beautifully kept grounds and profusion of flowers growing about the hotel make an attractive garden which stretches down to the water's edge. It is an ideal place for a convention. Its thousand feet of veranda facing the lake, its attractive parlors and comfortable rooms, and last but not least its accommodating management which gave us such courteous and ready service,—all these things united to make this one of the most memorable conventions Kappa Alpha Theta has ever seen. The manager of the hotel had every thing in readiness for the comfort and convenience of the Thetas from far and near, who would so soon take possession of every bit of available space in that enormous hostelry.

Five o'clock in the afternoon found all the members of the Council who were expected to be present at the meeting, busily engaged in unpacking trunks and getting settled, ready for the Council session on the following morning. Mrs. Garrettson had regretfully sent word that she would be unable to be present; Miss Barnaby and Miss Lippincott were in Europe. Mrs. Norton of Chicago, Miss Fanning of Minneapolis, Miss Green of Stanford University, and Miss Cockins of Columbus, Ohio, were the four members of the Grand Council present for the opening session. The Council sessions began on Saturday and lasted through Monday. While the members of the Council were at breakfast on Monday morning, they were surprised by the arrival of Mrs. Garrettson from southern California. The convention would not have been complete without Mrs. Garrettson and it was indeed a delight to have her present. Her charming personality and graciousness of manner won the hearts of every one who came in contact with her.

All day Monday every train arriving in the city from the east or from the west, brought its delegation of Kappa Alpha Thetas. Tuesday morning the last of the delegates arrived and many visitors thronged the hotel corridors. At 2:30 on Tuesday afternoon, July 2nd, the first session of the convention was called to order. Fully two hundred and seventy-five Thetas were present when Mrs. Garrettson arose and formally declared "the Seventeenth Biennial Convention of Kappa Alpha Theta is now open." The address of welcome was made by Alice Wadsworth of the Chicago alumnae chapter. Miss Wadsworth stated that her ancestors, not further removed than her paternal ancestor, had lived in Chicago since it was a village; and since it is most fitting that "the oldest inhabitant" should always be brought forth to speak on momentous occasions, she thought it most appropriate that she should welcome the convention to Chicago. She was very happy in her remarks which were

responded to by Grand Secretary, Pearle Green, in a most appropriate little speech.

The social side of the convention was entirely in the hands of Tau Chapter at Northwestern University and our loyal Delta Alumnae women. Most of the pleasure of the convention was due to the splendid work of the local committees of these chapters. Special commendation should be given to the Committee on Information and Transportation, with Mrs. Winifred Whittier and Seba Moulton at its head. The festivities began with a very pretty reception in the hotel parlors on Tuesday evening with the Delta Alumnae women as hostesses. On Wednesday afternoon our Evanston Thetas invited us to spend the afternoon and evening on the campus at old Northwestern. We were divided into parties of twelve with a leader, by means of tiny bows of various colored ribbons. Each party of twelve, every member wearing the same color, was escorted across the city, through trains and elevated roads to the campus of the University and the hospitable parlors of Willard Mall; here Dean Potter and faculty members, town alumnae and active Thetas made us welcome. A drive about the beautiful town of Evanston, and supper at Willard Hall were two features of the day that we shall long remember.

The afternoon of July 4th was an open period in the program—to do just as we pleased. How we did rejoice in having some time in the midst of convention sessions in which we could make our own plans. Some of us went to the theater, some to the "White City" where we saw the "flea circus" and other things as wonderful; some of us spent the afternoon on the lake, while others played in the sand on the beach and visited, and really got acquainted with each other. In the evening the Delta Alumnae were again our hostesses at "a Midsummer Night's Dream" by Ben Greet players, at Scammon Gardens, Chicago Univer-

sity. Enough cannot be said in praise of our Chicago hostesses—Tau Chapter and Delta Alumnae. Everybody had a good time and every body felt that the success of this, the largest convention in our history, was due in great measure to the untiring efforts of a most loyal, active alumnae chapter, especially to Eva R. Hall, the chairman of the local executive committee and her enthusiastic co-worker, Alice Wadsworth.

The cap-sheaf of the festivities was the banquet. This was the closing event of the convention week and was held in the parlors of the hotel. Covers were laid for two hundred and twenty. It was a pretty sight: a profusion of pink poenies decorated the long tables; pink shaded candles added a bit of color and the colors in the gowns of the girls lent enough contrast to the scene to make it an attractive picture. The banquet was well served and the toast-program which followed was one of the best that we have ever listened to. Mrs. Cheney of the Chicago Alumnae Chapter was a charming toast-mistress and carried her honors well. College and fraternity songs and college yells from each delegation helped to vary the program which follows.

"To try thy eloquence, now 'tis time."

Toast Mistress, Mamah Borthwick Cheney
Eta and Delta Alumnae

"Pluck up thy spirits, look cheerfully upon me."

A Brand New Toast, Marjorie Comiskey
Alpha Kappa

"I hate to tell again a tale once fully told."

Theta in Dixie Land, Elise Handly
Alpha Eta

"May there be no North, no South, no East,
no West, but only one broad, beautiful,
glorious fraternity."

The Girl that Wears the Badge, . . . Eugenie Rounsavell
Alpha Gamma

"She is pretty to walk with
And pretty to talk with
And pleasant too, to think on."

The New Woman and the Old, . . . Alice Wadsworth
Eta and Delta Alumnae

"Nothing is thought rare
Which is not new, and follow'd; yet we know
That what was worn some twenty years ago
Comes into grace again."

Seasons and Friends, Mary Clinton Eichrodt
Gamma and Zeta Alumnae

"Should auld acquaintance be forgot
And never brought to min'?
Should auld acquaintance be forgot
And days o' auld lang syne?"

Tho' Sundered Far, Anna Harrison
Kappa

"World-wide apart, and yet akin,
As showing that the human heart
Beats on forever as of old."

Among Ourselves, Clara Fanning
Upsilon and Beta Alumnae

"I'll be merry and free
I'll be sad for nae-body;
If nae-body cares for me
I'll care for nae-body"—

At the close of the toast-program Mrs. Wilson, of Minneapolis, on behalf of the convention, presented to the Council a gorgeous bunch of American Beauty roses. Mrs. Garretson received the flowers for the Council, and was about to respond when Mrs. Wilson said, "Wait a minute, we're not through yet! The one person who has made the greatest sacrifice for this convention is the little baby in southern California, and to Virginia Atcheson Garrettson the Seventeenth Biennial Convention of Kappa Alpha Theta wants

to present this loving-cup." It was a fitting close to one of the most beautiful banquets that we have ever had. The memory of this scene will long remain with each of us. We lingered in halls and corridors loath to bring to a close these happy convention days. But trunks must be packed, good-nights and good-byes spoken—and we are off.

EDITH D. COCKINS,
Grand Treasurer.

WHO WAS WHO AT THE CONVENTION

From the register kept by Delta Alumnae, in which everyone was asked to write, we find that the Chicago Beach was besieged by over two hundred fifty Kappa Alpha Thetas. The hotel promptly surrendered, and for the first week in July, we were made to feel that we were indeed privileged guests of this most excellent hostelry.

Geographically we represented all parts of our country, with Canada annexed.

I quote from the register the number from each chapter:

Alpha	16	Mu	1	Omega	6
Beta	5	Pi	12	Alpha Beta.....	6
Gamma	9	Rho	17	Alpha Gamma....	9
Delta	32	Sigma	4	Alpha Delta.....	7
Epsilon	4	Tau	25	Alpha Epsilon....	1
Eta	19	Upsilon	14	Alpha Zeta.....	3
Iota	4	Phi	12	Alpha Eta	5
Kappa	8	Chi	5	Alpha Theta.....	4
Lambda	3	Psi	13	Alpha Kappa....	1
				Alpha Iota.....	2

A comparison of this register with that of the Credential Committee shows that many visitors failed to register. A total of over two hundred and eight-five attended the various sessions. One of the notable features of the convention

was the number of older *alumnæ* who were present. We had the great pleasure of having with us two of our founders, Bettie Locke Hamilton and Hannah Fitch Shaw, as well as the daughter of another founder, Alice Allen Brant.

Josephine Pitman Scribner, who presided over the convention in Bloomington, Carrie Smith Curme, president in 1881, Myra Post Cady, former Grand President, Alice Wadsworth, former Grand Secretary, Aurelie Reynaud and Anna Harrison, former district presidents, were all there, their interest in Kappa Alpha Theta growing stronger as time goes on.

A bride of three days, and her husband, were there; and another enthusiastic Theta husband, who, later in the summer, meeting a Kappa Alpha Theta, said, "Oh, yes, Minnesota. I remember your delegate. She was Miss Brown. And Miss Williams and Miss Child were from Minnesota, too." Then he told her all about the delegates, what was done at convention, and even about the banquet and our college yells. No delegate would have better pictured it.

We can only hope that everyone enjoyed the convention as much as Tau and Delta *alumnæ* did. We'd like to have you all come again in two years.

Why not make the Chicago Beach a permanent meeting place?

DELTA ALUMNAE.

THE FIRST CONVENTION

Mrs. Hannah Shaw writes of the first convention:

"It was during the fall term in 1871 that we began to feel the need of a convention, but lack of numbers, lack of funds, and the necessity of keeping very quiet about everything we did made the problem a puzzling one. I had

been suffering with a severe cold, and when I learned that one of my little brothers had been sick, I became very anxious to go home before the close of the term. Instead of taking the shortest route, I decided to go home by another so that I could stop over at Bloomington and Moore's Hill and later visit Cincinnati. Mary Stevenson was selected to go with me to Bloomington. The meeting was held at the home of Margaret Dodd. And that in brief is the story of our first attempt at a convention."

RECOLLECTIONS OF '89

The hands on the dial-plate of our progress, as a fraternity, have moved forward steadily and now show the wide gap between the things gone and the present. There is a charm about everything that is past. The glamour of beauty is thrown over that which has ceased to be and each face and scene is treasured, though we may smile a kindly indulgent smile, while comparing them with present realities.

In 1889 it became the turn of Beta Chapter to entertain the national convention. We numbered nine, but we thirsted for greatness. The spirit of the active age was brooding over us and we could see the swoop of its dazzling pinions. In that delightfully primitive time and place it was no light matter for nine young girls to assume this responsibility. There was hurrying to and fro, earnest colloquies, and confidential communications. There was a sudden and fervid interest in parliamentary procedure, and the president of Beta chapter, whom precedent placed over the convention, walked, ate, and slept, with Robert's Rules of Order until she became hopelessly involved in the intricacies of "the previous question" and didn't get untangled until the gavel fell at adjournment.

Speeches and toasts were prepared of exceeding gravity and dryness.

The delegates were entertained at the members' homes, and it speaks well for the hospitality of Bloomington to find recorded in the minutes that more places were offered than were needed. Every Theta owning a carriage promptly offered it up, and the rest were borrowed from Theta sympathizers. The cakes were home-baked. The cream and engraved invitations were ordered from Louisville and we were looked upon as being studiously stylish for doing this. The Beta Theta Pi fraternity offered their hall for convention sessions and we prayed to Heaven for spoons and napkins. It was also noted that a special committee on lap-boards was appointed. Were there many, at the beautiful banquet in Chicago, who could hark back to the lap-board era? They were smoothly polished square boards, with beveled edges, and the refreshments were placed upon them. One really acquired a "lap-board face," trying to carry on a polite conversation with one's neighbor and to steady the flowing bowl and keep it from running over at the same time. We thoroughly understood what is meant by the "gay and festive board." They were quite the thing however, then. We had to borrow them, only the truly rich possessed them.

It is the custom for each convention to lay it, as unction to the soul, that it accomplished more business than any previous convention. We did not fail to make this claim. The legislation was the beginning of a revolution. It was not known until then, how many and varied were the forms of initiation, and the first steps toward a uniform ritual were taken. It was the beginning of a fairer apportioning of delegates. The flower was adopted—to the eternal discomfiture of decorating committees. The call was adopted. Dean Potter was on this committee.

There was no star-chamber credential examination.

Each delegate presented written credentials to the committee. It goes without saying that one delegate lost hers, but we let her in anyway. Miss Reasoner of Kappa was the belated delegate, getting in in time for the last session, having missed trains all the way from Kansas.

We had song-book discussions, and the inevitable revision of the constitution. Twelve chapters were represented: Alpha, Beta, Delta, Epsilon, Iota, Kappa, Lambda, Mu, Nu, Pi, Tau, and Upsilon. There was no representation from Rho chapter—in contrast with the fine delegation in 1907.

Both conventions are typical of their times. We had a welcome address and chapter greetings. Instead of the informal reception of the last convention, we had a high tea. Instead of the model chapter meeting, we had a model initiation, and instead of the banquet, we had lap-boards. In place of the bizarre newspaper illustrations and misrepresentations we had a polite letter from the editor of the paper, asking for a history of the fraternity, an account of the convention and names of delegates. The personnel of the two conventions differed not at all. Maeterlinck says there is no past, that the fact that we remember it at all makes it the present. Let us think then that whatever we love, whatever we admire, remains, and always will remain in our hearts, in the eternal lapse of ages, in the fame of achievements.

JOSEPHINE PITTMAN SCRIBNER.

THE INSTALLATION OF ALPHA KAPPA CHAPTER

The new academic year finds a twenty-eighth chapter starting out in its career with all the hopes, enthusiasm, and eager planning that characterizes the other twenty-seven. Alpha Kappa is now little more than five months old, but her loyalty to Kappa Alpha Theta dates back to several years ago when a band of eager Adelphi undergraduates first applied to Theta for a charter. Since then the persistence and earnest perseverance of these girls has shown that they are of the true, staunch, loyal, Theta stamp.

On the afternoon of June fifth, 1907, the installation of Alpha Kappa chapter was held, under the direction of Gamma Alumnae. Miss Elizabeth Carse of Iota and Gamma Alumnae kindly offered the use of her home on East Thirtieth Street, New York City. There she heartily welcomed, and hospitably entertained all who attended the installation.

Between thirty and forty Thetas representing ten chapters, were present. Miss Lippincott, President of Alpha District, was abroad at the time, and therefore unable to officiate at the ceremony. Accordingly Miss Cockins requested Miss Aurelie Reynaud of Alpha Zeta and of Gamma Alumnae to preside. She carefully planned every detail, and conducted a most impressive installation.

Twenty-five charter members of Alpha Kappa were initiated. The graduates are:

Edna Story Lutkins, '99 (Mrs. S. L. Lutkins, Jr.).	
Adelaide Garland Brown (Mrs. Alvah Brown).	
Marie Frith Wood, '04 (Mrs. M. H. Wood).	
Cora Snowden Litchfield, '02 (Mrs. Norman Litchfield).	
Maude Webb, '02.	Jessie Harris Righter, '04.
Emma S. Crane, '03.	Bertha Graf, '04.
Josephine Kelley, '04.	Anna K. Van Vranken, '05.



ADELPHI COLLEGE

Frances E. Napier, '06. Loretto M. Walsh, '07.
Grace E. Commiskey, '06. Alice R. Fish, '07.
Genevieve W. Beavers, '07.

The undergraduates are:

Marjorie Commiskey, '09. Erene Figuera, '10.
Edna G. Reilly, '09. Marguerite Stephens, '10.
Ella C. Hale, '09. Anna C. Bulwinkle, '10.
Helen Wolferz, '09. Regina Gorman, '10.
May Townsend, '09. Caroline Sutphen, '10.

After the installation the new Thetas were greeted and toasts were drunk, Miss Reynaud acting as toast-mistress. Those who responded to her were Miss Elizabeth Carse, Iota; Miss Sadie Titus, Alpha Beta; Miss Eva Capron, Iota; Miss Agnes Durant, Alpha Zeta, and Miss Loretto Walsh, Alpha Kappa.

The list of Alpha Kappas includes the names of many Adelphi women who have figured prominently in college activities and academic honors. In their undergraduate days Mrs. Lutkins and Mrs. Litchfield were both presidents of their classes, the latter both junior and senior year. Ella Hale was president of 1909 in her freshman and sophomore year, Anna Bulwinkle was president of 1910 in her freshman year, and Genevieve Beavers held the presidency of the Students' Association in 1906-7. Josephine Kelley, Jessie Righter, Anna Van Vranken, Frances Napier, Genevieve Beavers, Edna Reilly, and Carolyn Sutphen have all held important editorships or managerships on one or more of the three college publications. Many Alpha Kappas have been prominent in the Y. W. C. A., have worked on numerous committees, and have taken a general interest in undergraduate and alumnae affairs. In scholarship too, the chapter stands high. Mrs. Wood took honors in Latin at graduation, Grace Commiskey wrote the prize essay on "Taxation" in her junior year, the prize es-

say on "Municipal Affairs" the year following, and took honors in biology at graduation; Alice Fitch graduated with honors in philosophy, and Bertha Graf received the degree of M.A. from Columbia University in 1907. Starting with such a strong force, the future of Alpha Kappa bids fair to be bright.

Greater New York can now boast of two active and one alumnae chapter. What an opportunity there is for Alpha Kappa, away off in one corner of Brooklyn, Alpha Zeta, up on the heights of Morningside, and Gamma Alumnae, scattered all about town, to help each other in solving local problems, and to combine efforts in working for the good of Kappa Alpha Theta as a whole!

HELEN W. COOLEY,
Gamma Alumnae.

ADELPHI COLLEGE

When writing of one's Alma Mater, the danger is lest one become too eulogistic, and the result is, that the reader, ignorant of conditions, is in a hopeless medley of fact and fancy. Recognizing that this article is intended to give information, rather than impressions, I shall endeavor to mention things and conditions, only as they are.

Since our college is so comparatively new, being only eleven years old, and likewise comparatively small, having some three hundred and five undergraduate students, its fame is naturally local, and its existence is unknown perhaps, without the environs of Greater New York. This is as it should be, for we are distinctly a Brooklyn college, with a proud record of accomplishment to our credit in the past, and tremendously vital opportunities in our future for Brooklyn's welfare and culture.

We are fortunate in having a faculty of twenty-six members, the personnel of which is said to equal any in

the country; these men and women are foremost in the city's intellectual activities. We are also happy in having the leading educators, workers, and thinkers speak to us weekly from our auditorium platform, who bring to us the best the present has to bestow, and thus we are kept abreast of the times. All these are only a few of the exceptional advantages of a college located in the heart of a large city.

Adelphi is co-educational, and the student body is strictly self-governing, both the men and women having self-governing associations, which are all but absolute in their executive capacities. In the Women's Association executive power is vested in a president and executive body of eight members. Recitations and examinations are conducted under the honor system, and we are very proud to be able to say that during the three or four years that this system has existed, the cases of dishonesty have been too few to deserve mention.

Of course, in common with all colleges, we have the ordinary clubs, give several plays annually, have the usual class and society dances, and teas and receptions; and we are just like all other colleges in the nature and purpose of our organizations, where the students endeavor to exert their activities along social, intellectual, and spiritual lines, in a sane and healthy proportion.

Three fraternities flourish here, as does the green bay tree; these are Kappa Alpha Theta, Kappa Kappa Gamma, and Phi Delta Phi, which is trying for a charter from Delta Gamma. In numbers, the active membership of the three is comparatively even, though Theta, at present has the advantage. But in numbers only are we alike, for the personnel and esprit de corps, of these societies varies according to their several standards. It is to the credit, however, of the fraternities themselves, that the spirit of rivalry, though keen and strenuous, is never bitter, and the feeling between these three bodies is friendly and cour-

teous in the extreme. In like manner, these societies, contrary to conditions at many colleges, are regarded with the greatest favor, by the large body of non-fraternity students.

Theta, therefore, should forever abandon any misgivings she may have as to the future of her newest chapter, for the future of the college is bright and hopeful, since Adelphi is now out of her swaddling clothes, as it were, and bids fair to walk alone, propped only by the endowments which are beginning to come to us, thus insuring our financial emancipation. They may rest content with the assurance that Alpha Kappa will typify all that makes for the best in college life and noblest in womanhood.

GENEVIEVE W. BEAVERS,
Alpha Kappa.

THE SIXTH INTER-SORORITY CONFERENCE

Yes, the Inter-Sorosity Conference has met for the sixth time, stronger and more representative than ever before. The wise skeptics who prophesied in 1902 that the institution would not live five years have reason, therefore, to hang their heads in mortification.

What has it accomplished? Not a multitude of tangible reforms certainly, but one supreme triumph in abolishing ante-matriculation pledging and many subtle benefits in fostering inter-sorosity confidence, and respect. I wish that every fraternity-woman might be present at a session of the Conference to note the cordial relations existing among the delegates and to breathe the atmosphere of helpfulness and sisterly affection that there prevails. The twelve delegates who assembled this year in the pleasant parlor of the Stratford, welcomed one another as friends. A large majority had sat in the preceding Conference of 1906, while

two veterans had been present at every session since the institution was established. Miss Gamble, President of Pi Beta Phi, failed us for the first time and her absence was sincerely regretted. However, we welcomed with joy her capable substitute, Miss Elda Smith, who is the Secretary of the Conference for the coming year.

The importance and value of the Conference has increased during the passing years. Mrs. Canby, President of Kappa Kappa Gamma, showed her appreciation of that fact by crossing the continent to be present. Her sound judgment and sincere purpose were very valuable in all our deliberations. And Miss Jobelle Holcombe, newly elected Dean of Women at the University of Arkansas, honored us for the second time by making the long trip from that state to Chicago.

It is not necessary to dwell upon our proceedings as the official printed report of the Conference is accessible to all. Numerous matters of general fraternity interest were discussed, including social progress, high school sororities, and Pan-Hellenic difficulties. The reports of the individual delegates were most encouraging, pointing to improvement and advancement all along the line. We are learning the great lesson of patience. We realize that we must progress slowly and deliberately and not hope to reach our goal in one sudden leap.

It is our hope that the Pan-Hellenic associations will broaden their scope by taking up various subjects of general college interest. A list of topics was prepared, to be submitted to these associations with the recommendation that they do not consider their work finished when the rushing season is over, but that they hold monthly or bi-monthly meetings throughout the year. We feel that these associations are capable of becoming very potent factors in the college life.

We earnestly entreat every fraternity woman to do her

share towards bringing about ideal conditions. If she can do nothing else, she can express faith in our ultimate success—she can be hopeful and not dampen our enthusiasm by always taking the pessimistic view of the situation. She must realize that the world is progressing and that the time is rapidly approaching when narrow, self-centered societies, which exist for purely selfish reasons, will not be tolerated. We must strive for something worth while or the usefulness of Greek letter organizations is over.

LAURA H. NORTON,
Delegate to Inter-Sorority Conference.

BY-LAWS—INTER-SORORITY CONFERENCE

As the Report of the Inter-Sorority Conference in full will be sent to every active chapter, the JOURNAL, for lack of space, prints only the model by-laws and recommendations, for the consideration of local Pan-Hellenics.

- I. The date of pledge day shall be the.....
- II. It shall be considered dishonorable for a fraternity member, active or alumna, to speak disparagingly of another fraternity or one of its members to a rushee.
- III. The constitution and by-laws of this Pan-Hellenic shall be printed not later than May 1st of each year and five (5) copies of the same shall be sent by each chapter to its Grand President.
- IV. These By-Laws may be amended by the unanimous vote of the Pan-Hellenic.

The Conference would make the following recommendations to Pan-Hellenic Associations:

1. That special emphasis be placed upon Article III of the Model Constitution as printed above, urging that in every organization of Pan-Hellenics there be one active and one alumna member from each chapter, instead of two active members.
2. That there be regular meetings of the Pan-Hellenic, as often as once in two months, at least.

3. That invitations to the meetings be extended to the Deans of Women and Faculty Women.

4. That Pan-Hellenics give particular attention to Article II, Sec. 4 in the Model Constitution, and in the meetings extend their discussion to questions of general college interest. There might be discussion of such topics as The Promiscuous Wearing of Fraternity Pins, Chaperones of Sorority Houses, Incessant Calling at Sorority Houses, Lifting of Pledges, and Cribbing.

5. That complaints and difficulties in Pan-Hellenics be reported directly to the Grand Presidents, and settled by them when possible.

6. That a late pledge day be urged upon all chapters, preferably a sophomore pledge day.

LILLIAN W. THOMPSON, Gamma Phi Beta,

SARA B. MATHEWS, Sigma Kappa,

Committee.

THE INSTALLATION OF THE PRESIDENT OF TORONTO UNIVERSITY

On Thursday afternoon, September twenty-six, nineteen hundred and seven, there was held in the Convocation Hall of Toronto University the most interesting ceremony that has taken place on college grounds in many years. The occasion was the installation of our new President, and the conferring of several honorary degrees.

The ceremony took place at three o'clock. The hall, which holds seventeen hundred, was well filled when the procession entered it shortly after that hour. Preceding it were three men carrying maces and they were followed directly by Sir William Meredith, Chancellor of the University, accompanied by the future President. Next came Sir Wilfred Laurier, Premier of the Dominion, the Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario, the Premier of Ontario, the Governors of the University, representatives of other universities, and all our chief professors, doctors, and legal men, making altogether about three hundred. The bril-

liant colours of the gowns, hoods, and trimmings, made a beautiful sight as they took their places in reserved seats on the platform and in the front of the hall.

To the Chancellor, who occupied the chair, was presented, by John Hoskin, K.C., LL.D., D.C.L., Chairman of the Board of Governors, Robert Alexander Falconer, M.A., Litt.D., LL.D., D.D., "to be inaugurated to the position of President of the University of Toronto and to be presented with the degree LL.D., HONORIS CAUSA." Dr. Hoskin introduced Dr. Falconer with a short address relating to his eminently successful career, up to the present time, as a student, graduate, and teacher.

After a short address of welcome from the Chancellor, our President spoke to us. His subject was the relation between the college and the state. His address was to some almost an inspiration and certainly an incentive.

The inauguration now being over the conferring of the honorary degrees took place. Two Americans, John Bach McMaster, Litt.D., LL.D., Professor of History in the University of Pennsylvania, and Henry S. Pritchett, Ph.D., Sc.D., LL.D., President of the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, were thus honoured. Eight other degrees were conferred upon Canadians and four were conferred *IN ABSENTIA*. Of these last one was for the Lord Bishop of London, who visited us only last week.

That Toronto University is now entering upon a new and brilliant era is the opinion of her loyal professors, alumni, and students. That this opinion is shared by outsiders is also evident from the delegations sent from far and near in honour of the installation of our new President. It is a source of never failing congratulation to us that a strong and capable man has been chosen to guide us on our way and we hope under his leadership to pass from a standing merely average to the highest possible position in the university world.

HAZEL B. KEMP, Sigma, '10.

CONVENTION ECHOES

Appreciation

To our officers, too much praise cannot be given. The ultimate success of any organization depends not only upon the enthusiasm and faithfulness of each individual member, but upon the strength and nobility of its governing body. The steady growth of Kappa Alpha Theta in the past two years could have been accomplished only through the wise guidance and untiring efforts of the Grand Council. They represent, as our council should, a noble womanhood; to their efficiency and unswerving zeal is due in large measure the high standing of our fraternity today. May our next administration follow closely in their footsteps!

MARY STONE ELLISON.

Chicago Convention—Some Anecdotes and a Picture

My anecdotes of the Chicago convention date from the exhilarating moment when contrary to my previous notifications, it was announced to my horrified Council, assembled at breakfast, that *Miss* Garrettson was waiting to see *Mrs.* Cockins. The exchange of titles had not escaped the dumbfounded Treasurer, who posted, napkin in hand, to the lobby, facetiously demanding "*Which* Miss Garrettson?"

I know now the feelings of a long-lost brother or a prodigal son; even the fatted calf—in portions—was not lacking at the celebration which followed. There were only five of us representing the Council, and four had been doing, in those days of preparation, the bulk of the work, but the questions we asked were worthy of fifty. Then, as the people began arriving, there were the old friends from different directions; younger sisters, too unmistakeably like their elders of the Philadelphia convention to escape recognition; delegates from baby chapters; friends of friends;

scattered Thetas met at the corners of the continent,—but all in touch, and eager to give or hear news of the mutual friend.

I think we watch most eagerly for the frontier Thetas, those who at many miles distance from neighbors are making our records, or sustaining our standards. These, often, are the personalities least guilty of aloofness; and in the brief crowded week of convention, every moment is of value for acquaintance, which may ripen to friendship. One's pleasantest anecdotes of these meetings lie in the personalities that impress themselves on one's mind, giving example, if not actual pattern, for future use. If I could list in cold blooded fashion some of these girls and women who served as actual living patterns always to be remembered, as a hostess at large; as a gracious greeter of newcomers; as a more detailistic watcher of the hourly pleasures and comforts of her house guests; as a guest herself, always amenable to the plans and pleasure of her hostess; as historic visitors, once delegates at other and earlier conventions, who had only tactful praise to give, never tactless comparisons. Each of us can supply a name in the vacant column of this list, and the names stand as vivid pictures of individual Thetas prominent in convention week.

One of the *alumnæ* delegates whose half-dozen years of post-college life have been miles away from a college chapter, laughed with me over her curious sensations at being settled in a suite with seven girls. Each of the seven shortly acquired, say, seven callers from other quarters of Thetadom, and in one half hour, the seven—times—seven spread the glad news of their room-mate's electric iron. This shortly both proclaimed her a popular personage, and established a proof of the domesticity of the modern fair collegian.

Who shall remember anecdotes of the Founders? I think clear vision blurred in the moment they made their

bow, for with it came a sudden and rather solemn feeling akin to the fifth commandment; and also, a realization of how easy are our times, with all their complications, compared to their era, its attitude and circumstances.

Within the Council, there were those memorable visits, jokeful reminiscences, kodaks by the editor, snatches of nonsense that lightened tension and labor; small climaxes to an experience two or four years in the making; to the secretary, a round of outside fêting from the many Stanford sisters whose homes are in Chicago; to Mrs. Norton, inundations of her Delta district, so bountifully represented; to the head of the Council, hair-breadth escapes from enquiring sisters, husbands, and aunts, who had "heard you brought your infant with you." This in time grew to be an almost sensitive point, and advice, though desirable and excellent, was eluded as being a time-consumer. Then there was that admirable lady, a guest at the hotel, who formed the habit of dropping down at the Council table in the dining-room, to seek advice on points connected with the future education of her son.

I do not doubt some rare jokes could be told by the Credentials Committee, hard-worked and faithful, meeting young and old, propounding queries to which they received some remarkable replies. Their card system, instigated by the Treasurer's fertile brain, reminds one with pride of a compliment to our business management. It was before the closing session, when every account was in and audited, and every delegate reimbursed, when the Treasurer, turning her attention to the hotel bill, checked up and settled it with neatness and dispatch, that an admiring hotel clerk and manager told her with sincere admiration that ours was the best managed fraternity convention they had ever witnessed. And, as their experience of such functions is somewhat extended, the compliment is one of which we all may be justly proud.

Of another order is that of the otherwise ideal husband, who listening from the piazza to our banquet effervescence of spirit, pronounced our rendition of our college yells—"pathetic feminine squeals."

To records of matinee parties and of sight-seeing jaunts, of after midnight rounds of visits from those tireless spirits who never needed beauty-sleep, detail may be supplied by those of you who performed therein. After luncheon at Field's, in spite of a pelting rain, cheerful parties sallied forth on pleasure bent, and wasted no minute of the interval before their respective train-times.

When Friday afternoon was over, and a few limp survivors were gathered in the retired Grand-President's room to talk it over and count the hours before the late banquet (and substantial food) those present cheerfully concocted a joke at the literal expense of the absent. Summoning all the Council but the Treasurer, an interesting menu for afternoon tea was listed and ordered, the items neatly epitomizing the tastes peculiar to the orderers. Then when the tea party was on, the Treasurer was called to contribute her presence, give her order, and, that done, O K the bill. Her animated acceptance of the first two suggestions, made doubly appreciated her handsome behavior at the third. There is an aftermath to this anecdote, which I understand "appears elsewhere in this issue," and which I am glad to be spared the chronicling. The Treasurer's exquisite lavender orchids are another story.

One anecdote remains to close my convention record. My section on the California Limited was for Saturday night, and Saturday night I sought the gloom of the Illinois Central en route for an unknown and dingy Dearborn Street. At the tracks below the hotel, I met those two Michigan Thetas, who among many not to be forgotten at that long upper banquet table, represented a Wit, co-resident of Chicago with the oldest inhabitants, and the

special Rushing Angel. Weary from a strenuous week, and vowed to immediate rest, they yet cheerfully declared themselves, against all too evident appearances, yearning for a cross-town jaunt in the dark, charmed to cast their eyes on the beauties of Dearborn Street. So three strong, we threaded the intricacies of intervening space, and arrived just as the Kansas delegation came, escorting Miss Harrison. As the new Grand-President and the old waved farewells from the observation platform, the last faces we saw as we sped west were those of the two good Thetas of Michigan, who are to Eta something more than merely charter members.

There were three maids of honor going back with Miss Harrison for the celebration waiting at Lawrence; and the people on the train must have speculated on our special exhilaration, for we packed into one section, and held forth, low and long, on all the events and people in all their phases;—as you all did on *your* way home. Then Miss Harrison and I had one last earnest hour, so like the ones when we were both on Miss Wickson's second Council; and then came Topeka, and farewells. I had two lazy days more, the desert without, in which to inspect and arrange my picture gallery of the 1907 convention; and most insistent of all the pictures—even over-topping that banquet one, of my councillors, their arms full of great American Beauty roses, is the tender and very proud picture of a graceful silver loving cup, sent from the Seventeenth Biennial Convention of Kappa Alpha Theta, to—a little grey-eyed baby.

MARION WHIPPLE GARRETTSON.

The Convention as Tau Saw It

To most people "The Convention as Tau Saw It" would seem to be an easy subject to discuss, but to the girls of Tau themselves, who, in this case, began at the very beginning, it is a theme admitting of no end of work, a great

deal of discussion, and last but not least, that satisfied feeling of work done.

To begin at the exact beginning, as Tau first saw the convention, it appeared in the shape of Miss Cockins, who came as long ago as last February or March to look us over. The next semblance that convention assumed was a great deal of worry and speculation as to whether our girls would really be so fortunate as to play the rôle of hostesses the last of June. Form number three of the convention was a monster with fully two hundred and fifty bodies and minds all waiting to be entertained, some clamoring for a dance, others for a yachting trip, and still others for a garden party. When this monstrous form of convention had been duly satisfied, Tau awoke one morning to find that her guests were indeed upon her and that she must lose no time if she would get the most of pleasure and benefit that this convention offered.

All that Tau got from the convention of 1907, no chapter can know unless it has at some time been hostess. In the first place, the convention brought Tau, her *alumnæ*, and the Delta *Alumnæ* into very close touch with one another. It taught the girls how to work better with one another and with others, and it impressed upon their minds more strongly than ever before the strength of Kappa Alpha Theta, and what a privilege it is to be one of her members. In addition to these things, the convention of 1907 was to its hostesses an incentive for sturdier effort. As everyone can easily imagine, Tau saw work, and plenty of it, in the convention, but she also saw new strength and encouragement, and one of the greatest factors for good in her history.

The Council's Bar Bill

There are always some interesting happenings behind scenes at convention. And when there is a good laugh on the page that records them, even the people most con-

cerned, at whose expense mirth is to be had, suffer the faint smile, so like the "dry grin" of Uncle Remus fame, to broaden into a laugh not to be rivalled by that of the mirth-seized companions. A good story is told upon our Treasurer, who herself possesses a most enviable capacity for enjoying a joke.

The evening of the banquet had arrived, and as the doors of the banquet hall were not to be opened until eight, the members of the Grand Council foresaw, about the hour of six, the finger of gaunt hunger pointing at them from seven until that delayed moment after eight when the last sound of frou-frou might have subsided, and the ruffles of the evening gowns be tenderly adjusted to their allotted space under the board. "Let's order up a nice little dinner to the council room," said one. "Yes, and let's have it on Edith, and not tell her anything about it until just as it is to be served." "Agreed," came in a chorus.

Of what the menu consisted, in fact, that it had been served at all, was not for the laity to know. True it was that the council members seemed willing to prolong conversation in the receiving room while the less fortunate ones of the company cast side-long glances down the hall leading to the tables, eager to note if a stir had been made in that direction. Admiration for the fortitude of these invincible few set each hungry Theta a-chiding herself that her courage was fashioned out of less stern stuff.

As it happened, the Treasurer took the spread in right good part—of course they knew she would—and in settling up the bills of convention proceeded to pay for the Grand Council dinner served in the council rooms. Upon glancing over the items, her eye fell upon "Bar bill, thirty cents." "B-a-r b-i-l-l," gasped the astounded Treasurer. Visions of revelry that had escaped her immediately gave way to the thought of the womanly dignity that had set its stamp

upon every Theta in the house. "Impossible," she replied emphatically. "No, madam, not impossible," urged the polite cashier, "for you ordered lemonade, and that drink it always prepared at the bar."

J. L. W.

BETA'S CHAPTER HOUSE

I can send you a photograph of the Theta Chapter House, but you will not know how charming the place is till you have heard of its situation. It lies at the very edge of our town, separated from the college campus by a little wood of maple and beech. The approach from the college is by a narrow board-walk, that winds under, and seems to lose itself among the trees—for all the world like one of those roads into a mediaeval forest that you see in picture-books.

But the walk doesn't lose itself; it goes straight through and suddenly lands you on a narrow, quiet, secluded street as snug and private as a park. The street boasts six houses and one lamp-post: the third house from the lamp-post as you go in, is ours. It is one of those angled, balconied, formless modern houses that look dreary when they are building, and become very cheerful and homelike as soon as you get vines around the piazza and flowers in the yard. It is yellow and white—or it was when the landlord painted it; but no one thinks of its dimness, it's the green background and the outlook that make it what it is.

Across the street, in front, lies the wood—a gorgeous picture of reds and yellows and browns in the autumn, a thin, gray veil of twigs in the winter, but in spring and summer a wonderful, dark, green, luxurious mass of foliage. Spring-beauties and hepaticas, yellow dog-tooths and blue violets color the ground in their season; and above,



BETA'S CHAPTER HOUSE

in the branches, expeditions of migrating warblers stop in the spring and autumn; while golden-winged woodpeckers and vireos and thrushes make their nests there in summer.

It is a good place to live opposite. Sometimes when the wind parts the leaves and the boughs we can see through the woods to the white walls of college buildings; and always, at every hour of the day or night—to remind us why we are in this place—we can hear the bells in the university clock-tower caroling.

F. M. S.

SOCIETY OF MORTAR BOARD AT MICHIGAN

Before the senior society of Mortar Board had been started at Michigan, there had long been felt a need for such an organization. Omega Psi, a sophomore society, and the Freshman Card Club had brought the girls of the different fraternities together every now and then. But their purpose had been primarily social, and they went no further than to help to widen the acquaintanceship of the fraternity girls with one another. They did not consider the large body of women outside these societies. The Woman's League, it is true, had done a great deal to bring the girls of the university together; but there was no honorary club or society among the girls which was a strong factor in the social and intellectual life of the university; no society to which the Dean of Women might appeal to help carry out an important measure, and to which independent and fraternity girls might be chosen on an equal footing.

Soon after the abandonment of Omega Psi about three years ago, three girls conceived the idea of starting a senior society which should answer some of these demands. Scholarship, good fellowship, an interest in college affairs and the welfare of the university, were to be some of the qualifications for election to this body. The number was lim-

ited to twenty-five, the seniors choosing fifteen representative junior girls, in the spring before commencement, and these juniors in the fall of their senior year electing not more than ten from their own class. Every effort was made to make the choice include only the girls who had distinguished themselves in some way during their college years.

The result was most successful, and this society which was founded along most simple lines has become even in the two years that it has existed, a very live force among the women of the university. At the meetings, which are held every week, and which are both business and social, the independent and fraternity girls have met on common ground, and there is no breach between them.

The fines imposed for absence are at first an incentive to regular attendance. Later the girls become so interested that soon they would rather break almost any other engagement than miss a meeting. As yet there are no club rooms and there is perhaps an advantage in this, for the girls thus see the other members in their own homes when perhaps they might not find time otherwise during the busy college days.

Among the concrete things undertaken, Mortar Board originated a petition for Phi Beta Kappa which was presented to the honorary members of that society among the faculty and then to President Angell to sign. This petition was granted soon after by Phi Beta Kappa.

The idea of a Michigan Woman's Banquet which should bring the women of the university, past and present, together, and arouse a fresh interest and college spirit was suggested by a Mortar Board girl, and the society was largely responsible for its accomplishment. Besides these, there are many other plans to improve conditions among university women in which Mortar Board is very vitally interested. Perhaps a similar society might solve some of the perplexing problems in other colleges and universities

where the girls for the most part are so scattered that they have little opportunity for knowing each other, or for arousing any *esprit de corps* distinctively their own.

HELEN MEAD, Eta.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

With chapter life beginning again at the opening of another college year, Theta thoughts turn naturally to the interests, the responsibilities and the privileges of the twenty-eight active chapters. It is yours to guide the course of Kappa Alpha Theta more than is perhaps realized at first thought. Though the phrase "Our Extension Policy" so forcibly suggests Council investigation of groups applying for charters and Council recommendations concerning these groups, each active Theta has a personal responsibility in the shaping of the future of the fraternity, through the freshmen whom she admits. While wise extension in the number of chapters and the growth of each gives strength to the fraternity, extension to be wise must result from keen judgment and critical examination of material; and just as you, to such a great extent, entrust to your officers the decisions relative to the growth of the chapter-roll, so the whole fraternity gives to each active member the responsibility of choosing our future representatives and leaders. Should not extension and conservatism go hand in hand, both locally and nationally? Remember during the pledging days that it is your privilege to examine each freshman with the same rigor with which you desire each member of every applying group to be inspected. Our confidence is with you, and also our sincerest wishes for much happiness, now, and throughout the year. It is interesting to know that last year there were over four hundred initiates representing in their homes thirty States, as well as On-

tario, British Columbia, China and India—and the seniors of last year have of course now added their numbers to the alumnae list. It is an eager desire of the Council that our list of alumnae chapters may grow rapidly and that through national affiliation, there may be an increase of the splendid comradeship between active and alumnae Thetas, which already gives such strength to the fraternity.

By a strange coincidence, at this point in my message a letter has come from a Theta whose name has been very familiar to all who have entered her chapter since her graduation. It is one of the many times when a strong personality has established a more lasting reputation than the person herself realizes. This Theta writes: "I am now a lone isle of Thetaland off in the wilds of Illinois, with a great curiosity about the progress of the fraternity. Circumstances (a young daughter) prevented my attendance at Convention, but, please, I want to know what happened. . . . I am especially interested in knowing if anything has been done to reach us 'solitary single souls' who are out of reach of our chapters but still full of interest in the progress of the fraternity." Phi's beautiful custom is recalled by this query and each chapter will hear of it in detail from the Convention delegate, and surely much pleasure will come in its adoption by all. Remembering the ideals which we all love so much, let us keep closely in touch, active and alumnae, and in knowing our fraternity as intimately as possible receive to that degree of intimacy the happiness which Kappa Alpha Theta offers.

ANNA HARRISON.

EDITORIALS

Every Kappa Alpha Theta must feel great regret because of the retirement of Miss Fanning as Editor of the JOURNAL. Her work has raised its literary standard and has placed it upon a sound financial basis. No one can deplore her retirement more sincerely than her successor, who must crave the tolerant judgment of the fraternity for mistakes inevitable to inexperience.

The unusual amount of space given in this issue to exchanges dealing with a discussion of the fraternity system is explained by the fact that the college fraternity seems at present to be undergoing one of those searching investigations to which it is periodically subject. It is not strange that the wave of agitation and reform should have reached the fraternity. Neither is it alarming, if we meet it in the right spirit—for it must be met. There is indeed some ground for encouragement. Those within the organizations have frankly admitted defects and those outside have discovered new merits. A reasonably healthy condition on the part of the patient is evident, and a probable willingness to take the doctor's prescription. While there is always, we believe, particularly among women's organizations, danger of our taking ourselves too seriously and of needlessly multiplying our duties; and while we must not forget that the chief sphere of fraternity influence is within—a field that has never yet been exhaustively worked—yet we cannot evade, safely, the responsibilities that are more and more coming to us, because we are organized, because we are strong, and because a high personal ideal unites us. It may very well be that the college fraternity will stand or fall according to the way in which it meets these responsibilities. Every chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta must set

itself seriously to solve the problem of its relation to its environment—now, at the beginning of the college year. It must make its influence felt through channels already existing—through the Woman's League, the local Pan-Hellenic, and the class organizations. It must look well to its relations with non-fraternity girls, and to the faculty. In short, it must put itself into coöperation with every force in the college community that makes for the general good.

It is difficult not to see some connection between the agitation already mentioned and the present situation at Princeton. The inauguration of the "tutorial system" has been interpreted both as an argument for and an argument against fraternities. Whichever view we hold, we shall watch the outcome of the experiment with great interest.

A distinct tendency towards Pan-Hellenism among the men's fraternities has recently become noticeable. The call of Kappa Alpha to the other fraternities to meet at Jamestown is the latest instance. We hope to hear the result of the meeting. The establishment of a Greek letter club in Denver, with a membership of two hundred and fifty, representing twenty-four fraternities, though an alumni organization, is hardly less significant. Inter-fraternity dinners have recently been held at Mexico and at Panama. Reports of Pan-Hellenic rushing agreements come from Bowdoin, from Georgia School of Technology and of a possible future agreement at Columbia. Still better than this, at Williams representatives of the fraternities and four-fifths of non-fraternity undergraduates entered into an agreement not to form combinations in undergraduate elections. It seems not unlikely that the next few years may

see the formation of many more local Pan-Hellenic organizations and that they may become very effective in bringing about an improvement of conditions.

The vote of our Convention upon the question of high school sororities defines the attitude of Kappa Alpha Theta upon that subject. High School sororities should be discouraged; but radical action, such as declining to initiate into Kappa Alpha Theta any young women who have been members of such sororities, would, we believe, defeat our very object. Such legislation would give to the high school sorority a dignity and importance which are not its due. It might also deter desirable girls, who had joined such high school organizations before making definite plans for college, from entering co-educational institutions. All that seems to be left for us to do, is to urge definite action upon the parents, for, in the last analysis, they are the only persons who have absolute authority in this matter.

The chapter letter has a two-fold purpose. Primarily it gives the alumna news of her own chapter and college; secondarily it is, or should be, the means by which every chapter can gain an understanding of the college life of members of other chapters. Among our twenty-eight active chapters we are represented in women's colleges, in co-educational institutions; in colleges where, through the dormitory system, a close supervision is kept over students, and colleges where regulation of the daily life of students is unknown; we are represented in colleges of five hundred students, and in universities of five thousand students. The conditions of life in these various institutions must necessarily differ greatly. Only the understanding which comes

with knowledge, can bring the chapters into close touch with one another.

The alumna, too, is presumably more interested in the activities of her Alma Mater, in the part which her fraternity is taking in the life of the college, than in the table decorations of the last tea.

Let the chapter letter therefore reflect the life of the college in all its phases, and the part which the Greek world, and especially our own fraternity, is taking therein.

The July *Arrow* contains a mis-statement which we wish to correct. The chapter letter from Washington Alpha—Washington State University, states that Kappa Alpha Theta is one of the organizations having a chapter at that institution. Kappa Alpha Theta has no chapter at Washington State University.

Are we a sorority or a fraternity? President Wheeler of the University of California is quoted as strongly disapproving of the word "sorority," preferring the more dignified term, "women's fraternities." Comment upon this expression of opinion states that Kappa Alpha Theta (besides some other women's fraternities) has a constitutional provision that the term "sorority" should be used. What the source of this entirely erroneous impression is we cannot say, but we wish to correct such an impression without delay. The word "sorority" is nowhere used in our constitution, and has never received the sanction of the fraternity except tacitly in the expression, "Inter-Sorority Conference." In spite of the fact that one of the men's journals calls the expression, "women's fraternities" an absurdity, we wish again to go on record (for we have done so before) as preferring the term, particularly as the Standard Dictionary does not even recognize the word "sorority."

The sympathy of the fraternity is extended to our founder, Mrs. Hannah Fitch Shaw, because of the sudden death of her youngest son, DeWitt C. Shaw, July 26, 1907. Especially will all those who greeted Mrs. Shaw at the convention and who remember her gentle courtesy, mourn with her in this sad loss.

OFFICIAL JEWELERS.

There seems to be some misapprehension in regard to our official jewelers. The firms that have been authorized by the Grand Council to manufacture Kappa Alpha Theta badges are as follows: John F. Newman, New York; D. L. Auld & Co., Columbus, Ohio; Davis and Clegg, Philadelphia; Heggie and Son, Ithaca, New York; Wright, Kay & Co., Detroit; Burr, Patterson & Co., Detroit. No other firms are authorized to make badges for this fraternity and have no authority to do so. The Council at its last meeting made no change in the above list, which has been our official list of jewelers since the Philadelphia convention.

EDITH D. COCKINS,
Grand Treasurer.

We ask that all corresponding editors keep the following rules by them when writing chapter letters and our work, as well as the possibility of future error, will be lessened.

Head chapter letters as they are found in this issue.

Sign your own name, adding the name of your chapter.
Sign all articles intended for publication.

Write all proper names especially plainly.

If possible, always give exact date.

Give class and addresses *always*.

Write vital statistics on separate sheet from personals, as found in this issue.

There was a misprint in the instructions to a few of the editors. "Initiates of the *past* five years" should have read, "initiates of the *first* five years."

The promptitude with which most of the chapter letters arrived was gratifying to the new editor. To the two baby chapters especially is praise due, for one of them sent only typewritten matter, the other sent her manuscript flat.

CHAPTER LETTERS

Alpha District

IOTA—CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

Glad to come back to Cornell? Yes—to be truthful—not glad to leave home, but mighty happy to see the girls again. This is just about the way we all feel, I think, at the beginning of the college year. Then, somehow, the atmosphere of the place closes in around us, the chimes echo from the library tower, the campus is again alive with students—our huge family at Sage is busy with its house furnishing—and we are glad to be back.

We sincerely regret the absence this year of one of our circle, Helen McFarland, ex-'08. The return of Sara M. Bailey, '09, and Christiana Busbee, '05, to our chapter makes us very happy.

Pan-Hellenic has decided no rushing this fall. A pledge day at the beginning of next term is to be decided later. It is a new experiment with us and we are anxiously awaiting the results. The entering class seems to have a number of very fine girls in it and so we have great expectations. Meanwhile we may only dance with the new girls and take them for walks, but we are doing our best.

For the coming year let us wish for each chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta, the best of happiness and success.

ELIZABETH CLARKE.

LAMBDA—UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT.

Fifteen members are the representatives of Lambda chapter in Vermont at the beginning of the new collegiate year.

We are anxious to have you know our two new members—Bertha Field, initiated on June 18, and Helen Cramton, initiated a week later.

Miss Lippincott's visit to us occurred the middle of April, and we were very glad to welcome her. She gave us many helpful suggestions which we thoroughly appreciated.

Morrell Hall, the new building for the Department of Agriculture at the University of Vermont, is to be opened this fall.

"As You Like It" was presented by the students of the University of Vermont during Commencement week.

MARY ROBINSON.

SIGMA—TORONTO UNIVERSITY.

Sigma Chapter is in the first glow of reunion after a four months' vacation. Some of us have not met since the last examination in May, and some of us have had delightful visits during the summer. Those who were lucky enough to be at convention, and those who stayed at home, are equally anxious to talk and to listen. The stay-at-homes are already catching the spirit of convention from the girls who went to Chicago, and we are all feeling renewed enthusiasm for our fraternity and our chapter.

Our active membership is small, for we are losing our five seniors, who were among the charter members of Sig-

ma. But Mabel Millman is re-enrolling as an occasional student and Berta Bastedo is entering the School of Pedagogy.

Our University is entering on a prosperous era this fall and we all feel we have more reason than ever to be proud of her. There are several new buildings, an Examination Hall, a group of men's residences, and a museum, which are all being built, and a splendidly equipped physics building, formally opened September 27. Our new President, Dr. Falconer of Halifax, was installed in Convocation Hall on September 26. On the first of October he opened college by addressing nearly two thousand students, in the same building, urging them in a most stirring speech, to bring out the best that was in them this year, for their own sakes, and for the welfare and progress of the university. We all felt that the college year had had a most auspicious beginning.

The rest of the chapter entertained our five seniors at an informal tea before the close of the spring term, and our new president expressed to them in a few words the debt we all felt we owed them. Then they gave us a charming surprise by bestowing upon us a much coveted loving cup. This was such a delightful and unlooked-for present, and we felt it was so like our dear seniors to do it, that we nearly wept tears of joy.

We had another chapter function on the twenty-fourth of June, when all the girls who were near enough to come, gathered at Ruth Bertram's house to initiate Nannie Millichamp, '03. She was the last member of our local Delta Theta to become a Kappa Alpha Theta. She had been out in British Columbia ever since we obtained our charter, and was just passing through Toronto on her way to Europe—we caught her on the wing, so to speak, and made her a proud and happy wearer of the kite.

JESSIE C. MACCUDY, Sigma.

CHI—SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY.

These first weeks of college find us in the midst of things in every sense of the word. Matriculation day pledging is a novelty to the active girls but is fast coming to seem quite natural. All of the girls came back this year, most of us early, so that when September seventeenth came we were ready. So far we have pledged six freshmen: Elsie Kinney, Syracuse; Lillian Leonard, Syracuse; Frances Sherman, Glens Falls, N. Y.; Sophia Steese, Mt. Holly Springs, Pa.; Marian Sweet, San Juan, Porto Rico; and May Wilcox, Sherbourne, N. Y. We hope to have initiation October tenth, Chi's chapter birthday.

During the summer hard wood floors were put in the house. We are justly proud of our chapter home, now more charming than ever.

We have the privilege of having with us in the house this year, Josephine Whitehead, ex-'08 Psi, a special student on the hill.

We are very proud of the fact that four of our six '07 seniors were graduated with honors; four *cum laude*, one *magna cum laude*.

Since the last issue of the JOURNAL we have pledged and initiated Estella Merrill, '10, Kendall, N. Y.

We have a new "house-mother" this year, Miss Mary Gibbs, of Virginia, a cousin of Elizabeth Fewsmith, '08. We have already grown to love her and are sure to be well cared for.

EDITH W. ACKERMAN.

ALPHA BETA—SWARTHMORE COLLEGE.

On September 17, the evening before college opened, Ellie Simons gave our last year's chapter of Alpha Beta a lovely dinner down at Stratticeven Inn. All of us were there except Mabel Sullivan, '07, who has not yet returned from Europe, where she spent the summer. The long table,

with its little hand-painted place-cards, to which tiny kittens were attached with black and gold ribbon, was surrounded by sixteen Thetas, happy indeed to see each other again, and all determined to do their best both for their college and their fraternity in the year before them.

We are now in the midst of rushing. Last evening we had our first regular rushing function—an informal party up in our rooms. We have been fortunate this year in all getting rooms on the same floor in the same corridor of Parrish Hall. This made a progressive party from one room to another practicable. After much fun and merriment, we turned the lights low, and, while one of the girls played the banjo, we all sang.

We are all proud of the fact that Mary E. North, one of last year's seniors, has been appointed assistant theme reader in the English Department here. It is good to have her with us again.

Katharine Wolff, our delegate, and the others who were there, have given us interesting accounts of the convention. We have discussed the scholarship question and other matters brought up at the convention, in fraternity meetings.

We wish for our sister chapters a happy and successful year.

PRISCILLA GOODWYN.

ALPHA DELTA—WOMAN'S COLLEGE OF BALTIMORE.

At the beginning of this new college year, Alpha Delta sends greeting to her sisters in Kappa Alpha Theta.

College opened September the twenty-first and nine enthusiastic Thetas were ready to begin the work and play of college life—particularly the fraternity phase of it.

The local Pan-Hellenic Association has named November the twenty-third as Pledge Day and has limited rushing to afternoon calls, teas every other week, and two functions, one formal and one informal. There is a fine class

of freshmen and our alumnae are helping in a very material way.

I must not close without telling you about our annual house-party which is always held the week following Commencement down the Chesapeake Bay on the eastern shore of Maryland. This house-party of last June was even a greater success than usual. There were so many girls back. There were thirty of us in all during the week and forty-two over Sunday. Such a time of genuine good-comradeship as we had swimming, boating, driving, playing tennis!

EDNA L. WHITE.

ALPHA EPSILON—BROWN UNIVERSITY.

The girls of Alpha Epsilon are together again after a pleasant summer of which the chapter house-party in July was surely one of the most enjoyable events. Every year, we feel more keenly not only the joy but the real value of this week spent together in the country. It helps to supply for us some of that close companionship, which Brown girls lose by not having a dormitory.

College opened a week later than usual this year, so that we did not meet until September 25. We are much pleased with our new campus, the land for which was presented to the college last spring. During the summer, it has been laid out with winding paths and a graded lawn and it gives promise of being a most valuable addition to our grounds. Another thing that is a great practical convenience to us, is the change in our lunch arrangements. The lunch room had been redecorated and the responsibility of providing lunches has been assumed by two graduates of the college. Any who have witnessed our trials in this line in previous years, can understand our satisfaction in our pretty, cheerful room and delicious lunches.

We have, as yet, no pledges to announce for this year. We are trying an inter-fraternity contract which allows ab-

solutely no rushing for two weeks and provides that each fraternity can give only two rushing parties up to the middle of the year when the contract expires, and all invitations are to be sent out through the office. As the two weeks have not yet expired we have met the freshmen only in a casual way.

JOSEPHINE SACKETT.

ALPHA ZETA—BARNARD COLLEGE.

Alpha Zeta has commenced work in earnest—work in several fields and under particularly happy conditions. The outlook for the year is most favorable.

Brook's Hall, our new dormitory, is completed, and never was a long felt want and a long expressed desire rewarded by a more ideal building. Facing Barnard and separated from it by a long stretch of campus, Brook's Hall is charming in every respect—from the terraced porch, with its outlook over the Hudson, to the dainty chintz-hung bedrooms. Every Theta is glowing with the possibilities and the opportunities opened by this permanent hall of residence.

The freshman class is large and seems full of good material and the rule of no rushing during the first two weeks gives us time to look it well over, and to decide on the girls we wish to rush. Although the Pan-Hellenic rules are not public as yet, and we do not know how we shall be restricted, Alpha Zeta is planning for its first "rush-party," a formal reception to freshmen at the home of one of the girls on the first Saturday afternoon after the ban of non-rushing has been raised. Pledge Day has been set at some day before the Christmas holidays.

We are sorry to lose Evelyn Lucas from our chapter this year, but are most glad to welcome Mabelle Pennell of Omega chapter to Alpha Zeta.

LEONORA L. ARMSTRONG.

ALPHA KAPPA—ADELPHI COLLEGE.

This is Alpha Kappa's first letter and at the very start we wish to tell you how happy we are to be one of you. Indeed we could scarcely wait for college to open, for our dream had become a reality, and as 'Thetas our college life assumed a broader aspect. We have all sorts of ideas and plans—but that's another story.

During the summer the entire college was renovated, and we find it much more attractive.

We are very fortunate in having the only fraternity room in the college (given to us long ago when we were the only socilety here) and we have just bought some Mission furniture for it. The alumnae, wishing to do something for us, have rented a piano, and whenever we have a free hour we may be found around it singing Theta songs.

Our Pan-Hellenic has been organized, and we expect it to be a success. Asking Day is the Friday nearest December 15, and pledge day a week later.

On Saturday, September 28, the entire freshman class and the faculty were entertained at a tea given by the Pan-Hellenic. The Y. W. C. A. will entertain the freshmen at a holiday party, and on Hallowe'en the sophomores will give their annual party to the freshmen who, just at present, are living in the social whirl.

The Litmus, our college paper, started the year under a debt which the Pan-Hellenic has offered to pay. This will show that fraternities have their college's interests at heart more than is generally supposed.

Marjory Commiskey, our delegate to convention, has come back to us so full of the news of the Kappa Alpha Theta girls, that we feel we know our new sisters very well. Good wishes to you for a successful year!

CAROLINE M. SUTPHIN.

Beta District

ALPHA—DE PAUW UNIVERSITY.

We are beginning the term with twenty-two enthusiasts and so far, all bids well for Alpha. The long rushing season of last year was not supported by any of the other women's fraternities here, so as a consequence, the limit was put at six weeks. We would have preferred the long season. Our dates with the new girls are limited, and the Pan-Hellenic permits us but two parties—one formal and the other informal. Our first party—which was informal—was given at the chapter-house last Friday. Mrs. McGibney, of Indianapolis, entertained us during the afternoon after which we served a luncheon. Our formal party will come just a week before pledge day, and we are planning to make it, as usual, a banquet.

Three of last year's seniors—Beth Dougherty, Louise Pigman and Frances Wales have been back to visit us. Jess Riley entered the University of Indiana this year and has affiliated with Beta chapter.

HELEN MAC NEILL.

BETA—INDIANA UNIVERSITY.

College opened the 24th of September and one week before matriculation day the girls began to come in. Twenty-one girls returned, finding the house in perfect order with all of the walls down stairs redecorated and the exterior looking bright and fresh in a new coat of paint. We were delighted to learn that Mrs. Green, our former chaperon, after spending last winter in California, had decided to return to us as chapter mother.

Our rush was an unusual one. We were bound by no Pan-Hellenic contract and had no rules governing our pledging. The Pan-Hellenic Association agreed that matriculation day should be asking day but Kappa Alpha

Theta reserved the privilege of holding off for a week. Our object was to decrease rushing and rushing expenses; to do away with the frenzied whirl at the opening of college, and thus maintain the dignity of the fraternity. Driving, the largest item of expense, was dispensed with, except that done by individuals in a quiet way, and all of our rushing was easy and informal. While we feel that we have made some mistakes and that we have not yet found the ideal plan for rushing, we were very well satisfied with the success of our experiment.

On Friday night we gave our annual formal dance where we introduced to the college world our eight pledges: Catherine Croan Anderson; Grace Gable, Marion; Margaret Lipnight, Boonville; Maude Camp, Larrett; Nell Avdelotte, Sullivan; Jean Picken, Grace Bray, and Bess Stewart of Bloomington. By October 14 they will have been initiated.

We are very glad to have two girls with us from other chapters this year, Jess Riley of Alpha and Elsie Ashly of Tau. At present we are looking forward to a visit from Miss Cotton, our district president.

Beta's house-party this summer on the Tippecanoe river near Monticello, Ind., was such a success that we have voted to make it an annual affair. One strange and interesting feature of the August house-party was that we had money left in the bank. With this we purchased a divan for the fraternity house.

The annual color rush takes place October 4 instead of on Washington's Birthday and already class numerals have begun to adorn the observatories and college walks. The freshmen are keeping rather close now for "verily the time of hair cutting hath come."

Beta extends welcome to all pledges and fall initiates.

LOIS PERRING.

GAMMA—BUTLER COLLEGE.

Gamma sends greetings to all her sister chapters. We have returned this fall in high spirits and have every reason to expect a very successful year. The effect of the new endowment of the college is shown in the large increase in enrollment. There was never before so much desirable fraternity material and the three fraternities are rushing the same girls to a large extent. This is the first time we have had a Pan-Hellenic contract, and we are anxiously awaiting the close of the first two weeks of school. Among our rushing parties was a dance at the home of Mrs. Hilton U. Brown and a luncheon and theatre party given by Mrs. Charles Eichrodt, both of Zeta Alumnae.

Four of our girls attended convention this spring and as a result of their enthusiastic talks we now have a chapter house. It is not a house in the real sense of the word, but a two-room log cabin, situated on one of the pretty streets of Irvington within walking distance of the college. We have made good use of it in our rushing. Before school opened we gave a camping party there, and have entertained in it since.

We are very glad to have Helen Holton of Tau chapter with us this term.

RUTH WHITNEY DAVENPORT.

EPSILON—UNIVERSITY OF WOOSTER.

It hardly seems possible that another summer has passed away and it is once more time to open our books and begin work. But studying is not by any means the hardest part of our labors just at present. I think every one will understand why when I say this is the last week of the rushing season. There are more than the usual number of interesting freshmen, attracted by our splendid new dormitory, a fine-looking building, which adds much to the appearance of the campus. The interior is ideal in every respect.

The Kappas have given up the house in which they have been living for the past three years and returned to the Dormitory. This naturally makes rushing even more strenuous than before. But we have high hopes of the announcements we shall be able to make in the next issue of the JOURNAL.

EVELYN LUCAS.

ETA—UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

This year has been a most momentous one in Eta's chapter history, for, thanks to our alumnae, we have bought a pretty home of our own this summer, which will in a short time accommodate sixteen girls and our chaperon.

Although we have been busy with house plans we have found time to pledge seven girls. Bertha Ballard, and Julia and Elizabeth Williams from Detroit, have belonged to us for some time. Agnes Carpenter, of Muskegon, Gladys Peirson of Fremont, and Emma and Elfrieda Weitz of Cleveland, Ohio, are also wearing the black and gold.

Fortunately for us Mabel Mason has returned to college after an absence of three years. For the fourth time we are to have Miss Harrison for our chaperon.

Convention meant a great deal to all Kappa Alpha Thetas but it also meant to us that Charlotte Walker would be here in Ann Arbor as editor of the JOURNAL.

Dean Jordan's introductory receptions have already begun, with the series of entertainments given every year by the Woman's League for all of the university girls.

The football season opens in earnest this week with the Case-Michigan game. Ann Arbor is already excited over the game with Pennsylvania on November 16 and we are all hoping for great results for Michigan.

Contrary to the rules of the last five years, the freshman class representative tore down the flag from the pole in the annual rush on medic green after six breathless minutes, making the first victory which freshmen have enjoyed in some years.

ETHEL OBETZ.

MU—ALLEGHENY COLLEGE.

Ten of our number of last year are not with us, six having graduated. We have with us again this year Julia Heibel who comes to us after having been out of college a year.

The rushing season has commenced and every one is very busy getting acquainted with the new girls. By our Pan-Hellenic contract, however, our rushing will not be at all strenuous in comparison with other years and we are all well pleased with the arrangement. Our contract places Asking Day on October twenty-first, so in this letter we will have no list of new Thetas to give.

On Saturday, September 28, we had an afternoon party at the home of one of our last year's graduates, Katherine Adams. It was an indoor garden party which all the girls could enjoy even though the weather was inclement.

We expect to have our usual term party at the home of Jane Dermitt on October third.

FLORENCE M. GRAUEL.

PI—ALBION COLLEGE.

The delightful days of convention are over and also those jolly post-convention festivities, which ten girls from Pi enjoyed at the home of Josephine Cooper, Kenosha, Wis.

Albion has a new charm for Theta girls this year. Our lodge has been redecorated and made more beautiful in many ways. We are very proud of it and wish you all could enjoy it with us.

Miss Cotton spent a few days here last week. We only regretted that her visit was so short. We gave a reception in her honor to all the girls in college.

Albion college spirit is running high this year. Both new and old students are entering into the work for the

Oratorical Contest with heart and soul. Athletics of course is the chief feature in the fall. As the game scheduled for Oct. 6th is called off, the sophomores and freshmen will amuse the rest of the college by having a tug of war across the Kalamazoo river.

ELLA A. MEINKE.

ALPHA GAMMA—OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

The opening of college this year has been much less eventful for us than usual. Last spring our local Pan-Hellenic Association drew up a new code which was enthusiastically adopted. This code provides for a pledging day on January 6 instead of on the third day of the first term as has heretofore been customary. The months intervening have been divided among the four existing fraternities, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Pi Beta Phi, Delta Delta Delta and Kappa Alpha Theta for a stated number of rushing parties. We all are anxious to see the outcome of this agreement. It is to be hoped it will prove successful, as it entirely eliminates summer rushing which invariably falls on the few.

Our long talked of plan for a girls' dormitory is at last going to be realized. Work is now begun on it. Next fall its doors will swing open to the out-of-town girls.

Ohio State's football season opened September 28. Our team usually gives us an opportunity for displaying our enthusiasm.

MABEL A. LOVEJOY.

ALPHA ETA—VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

Please don't expect Alpha Eta's letter to be any wise different from a host of other chapter letters, because every body must tell what they're doing and every body is doing the same thing—rushing the freshmen.

Our alumnae played the good fairies this summer while we slept, and when we got back to college we found our

chapter house completely transformed. New rugs, hangings, pictures and pillows, with a piece or two of carefully selected furniture had done the work, and the effect was as charming as possible.

Although we contend that exterior attractions have no weight whatever with the freshmen, quite sure we are that our little chapter house will keep nobody away.

Vanderbilt has opened auspiciously, both from the university standpoint and as a fraternity field. There are more really good new girls this year than there have been in several years past, and we see no reason why this should not be a red letter year in our chapter life.

Delta District

DELTA—UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.

Every one has returned to the university full of enthusiasm, and fraternity loyalty. The all-important topic of rushing seems to be first in each one's mind, at present. This year's contract allows us only twenty-one days and has very definite rules. We are limited to five parties, and outside of these there must be no gathering at which more than five new girls are present. No rushing is permitted before eight in the morning or after eight in the evening except at week ends. This arrangement has proved very satisfactory. However, our policy is to favor a longer, and therefore a less strenuous rush. Pledge day is set for October 5—so near at hand that it seems too bad we cannot announce our pledges in this number of the JOURNAL. We have one to introduce, however,—Anne Staley, sister of Isabel Staley Danely, '04.

We have had a Convocation, at which the President and several of the new professors and instructors spoke; and a mass meeting where enthusiasm was aroused by Illinois

songs and yells. October 12 we have our annual fall handicap, and soon after, Chicago meets Illinois on our own football field. This game has been held in Chicago for years and we of Illinois are anticipating an exciting time.

KAPPA—KANSAS UNIVERSITY.

Once again Kappa chapter has launched upon the strenuousness of college life. There were eighteen of her old members back and while the invitations to the new girls have not been issued yet the prospects seem very favorable.

The chapter house has been made very attractive this year by the transforming of the den into a distinct fraternity room. The fraternity colors are carried out in the solid yellow wall paper and the black Flemish oak woodwork. On the walls are fraternity pictures of past years in narrow black frames, and in one corner our handsome new book case. During the past two weeks we have entertained our friends informally in this little room and one and all thought it very effective.

ELIZABETH LUCIA LAIRD.

RHO—UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

After the festivities of rushing week it seems good to be able to go at a little slower pace and have more time. Part of this time we employ in admiring our new pledges, Mary Fahs, Grace Rohrbough, Irma Staples, Alice McCullough, Omaha; Ellen Kingsley, Minden; Harriett Tidball, Crete; Faye Follett, Helen Davis, Louise Guthrie and Gracia Green, Lincoln. Linna Thompson of Nome, Alaska, was pledged last spring.

There are fourteen girls in the house, and the new chapterone, Jessica Morgan, of Hebron, who is working for an M.A. in History. We feel ourselves fortunate in securing such an excellent chaperone and one who is a Theta.

TAU—NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

On September the twenty-third there was a happy reunion in Willard Hall, for by that date all of the active girls of Tau and a number of alumnae were back in Evanston, all talking over old times.

This year Tau is rushing with a two weeks contract, that, while fairly satisfactory, still has so many ins and outs that it is confusing to upper classmen as well as to freshmen. By this contract, there is no rushing of any kind between 12 m., and 2 p. m.; each fraternity has six dates, two of which are drawn dates, with a rushee; individual rushing is unlimited; and pledge day is set as October 11. Our drawn dates are on October 4, which is to be a luncheon followed by a *matinée* dance, for the girls only, at the Evanston Golf Club, and on October 9, which is to be a supper and dance for girls and men.

Eight of the old girls are back; we have three transfers, Mildred Jones of Alpha, Josephine Cooper of Pi, and Louise Chapman of Upsilon; while, as someone said, there are enough fine freshmen in the entering class to make every fraternity in college happy. Tau certainly is exceptionally fortunate in her alumnae, for it is largely owing to them that our rushing parties are a success, that our convention was one of the best in the history of Kappa Alpha Theta, and that our fraternity hall appears this year all the glory of new furniture.

MARY WARD HOLTON.

UPSILON—UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

After a delightful summer nine of us are back again and glad to be here. Our first few days were spent in settling our little flat, registering, and most important of all, rushing. However, rushing is not so strenuous this year as before, as sisters are the only freshmen allowed to

be pledged in the fall. Regular pledge day comes in April. The long rushing season is all experiment here at Minnesota but has worked out happily so far.

Upsilon presents six pledges: Cecile Enegren, whom we pledged last spring; Elinor Jones, Lucretia Bailey, Mildred Dockstader, and Katherine Pond. Initiation will be held October 12.

At last our new main building, Folwell Hall, is completed and there is no finer structure on the campus. At first even we upper classmen experienced not a little difficulty in locating ourselves at the right hour, in the right room on the right floor, but we are now serenely settled into the routine of college life.

Minnesota is at present interested in the "Messiah" which will be produced by the students sometime in January. A splendid production is expected as the chorus will include one hundred and fifty or more voices and the soloists are to be notable singers.

The sorrow of death must come to every chapter and this year we were visited. Isabella Armstrong Rawson died suddenly on September 23. The whole chapter mourns the loss of its sister.

DONNA LYCAN.

PSI—UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

Psi chapter does not mind these cold days in the least, for it gives us time to gather around our own hearth fire in our very own house to reminisce and prophesy. A year ago we were scattered hither and yon, waiting to occupy the new house; and how thankfully we took possession in November of the few habitable rooms up stairs! This year we have a few more of the necessary household belongings; but we shall still embroider curtains at odd moments and we joyfully welcome additions to our library. We have not forgotten yet the privileges of a new dwelling, and we

build our air castles with a lavish hand that at least some part of them may be realized.

For our success we are most grateful to our loyal alumnae, and most complacent over our rushing. Nearly all the parties were held at the house and Psi introduces with pride these promising pledges: Eveline Abbott, Bessie Goe, Hester Harper, Daisy Bently, Hester Jacobs, Lela Peacock, Ruby Purple, Elsie Martens and Marga Eyland. Psi appreciates her blessings and wishes all Thetas may enjoy equal ones.

MARION PEABODY.

ALPHA THETA—UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS.

After three delightful months of rest—a long holiday—fourteen girls of Alpha Theta have come back to renew the many interests of this busy, eager life of ours. The convention, Y. W. C. A. conferences, foreign travel, even honeymoons for a few, have occupied the girls this summer. The storm and stress of an open rushing season is over and we are proud of the six pledges: Mary Gibbs of Navasota; Josephine Yarrington of Austin; Clair Leverton of Houston; Shirley Wolz of Marshall; Jean Figh of Dallas; Emma Jo Harris of Seguin. Friday, October 11, has been set for initiation. That the freshmen may really know one another, we have planned an informal party complimentary to them for Tuesday evening. One of the old girls is to tell just a little of the fraternity history—of its founding and subsequent growth.

Alpha Theta begins the year holding the presidency of the Woman's Council, and with two members on the Y. W. C. A. cabinet. There is in these offices an infinite opportunity for our influence for good. We are sincerely grateful that a way has been opened for that influence to exert itself at Texas and trust that it may count for something real and vital in the life of every girl in the university.

LEDA MAUDE NASH.

ALPHA IOTA—WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY.

Our first term began Thursday, September 26, and the Kappa Alpha Thetas registered early in order to devote all their spare time to the arrangement of the rooms and the inevitable rushing.

First about the rooms. They are on the third floor of MacMillan, our beautiful new dormitory, and they are all our hearts can desire. All summer long we have been haunting bargain counters and attending sales, getting furniture for the rooms. And right here let me tell you that two-thirds of our lovely furnishings are entirely due to the liberality of the generous Theta relations. We have in reality three rooms but the omission of a partition leaves us a long living room and a smaller room to be used as a guest room when the occasion arises. The large room has a fireplace at each end and four windows looking east. The dark Mission furniture contrasts well with the light brown walls and when our piano arrives our den will be complete. For the first time in her history Alpha Iota is so situated as to be able to throw open for the use of all Thetas, chapter rooms wheer they may stay at any time when they give us the pleasure of a visit. And we most certainly hope that any Kappa Alpha Theta contemplating paying us a visit, either of long or short duration, will look upon the chapter rooms as her headquarters and make herself thoroughly at home in them.

Rushing season began even before college did, and at present seems to be going on as merrily as ever.

MARY B. GLASGOW.

Gamma District

PHI—STANFORD UNIVERSITY.

Phi's letter this time comes between two bursts of energy. For with the advent of pledge day last week, as the finale of an unusually strenuous rushing season, comes the regular fall epidemic of mid years.

Also, with the above-mentioned pledge day, came two freshmen who were received, I think, with more than the usual enthusiasm—Dorothy Marx of Palo Alto, and Lynnette Legge of Pasadena. They will make their first official appearance as Theta pledges this week at the annual freshmen dance given by Beta Theta Pi, at which the only guests are the fraternity pledges.

It is seldom that a formal tea can come as a welcome relief from other festivities, but such our reception for our new house mother proved to be. In the midst of rushing season it was a decided treat to entertain the faculty ladies and the fraternity seniors in honor of Mrs. Zinn of San Diego.

The approaching match with the University of California is rapidly changing our chief topic of conversation from "freshmen" to "football."

A number of the girls attended Omega's initiation of their prize freshman class last week. More of us will take advantage of her hospitality again to camp directly in the enemy's country for the freshman intercollegiate game, while in return we shall be satisfied with nothing less than a visit from the entire chapter on November 9, when the intercollegiate varsity game takes place on Stanford field.

HELEN GREEN.

OMEGA—UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

The opening of college this year has brought to Omega chapter manifold blessings—prominent among which are our new and very attractive chapter house, our two new

initiates of last May, Elma Edwards, '08, and Helen Hill, '10, and our post-graduate affiliate from Stanford, Ellen Stadtmüller. But only very lately, after four weeks of interested rushing under this season's Pan-Hellenic rules, have we been able to sit by calmly and realize the importance of our added possessions. And even now, we shake our heads, wondering, and say, "It never rains, but it pours," for as a result of our rushing we have pledged eight splendid freshmen—Elinor Carson, Elinor Slate, and Harriet Stringham of Berkeley; Hazel Congdon and Ruth Slack of San Francisco; Bernice Bronson of Oakland, and Eleanor Baldwin and Mary Lindley of Sacramento—the largest and jolliest class for many a year.

The college year promises to be rich in musical and dramatic productions. Professor Wolle is entering upon his third season of Symphony concerts at the Greek theatre, and since his programs include such names as Schumann-Heinck and Gadske as soloists, the public is, as a whole, genuinely interested. The English Club, too, after its stupendous success last semester, in the production of the Sanskrit play, "The Little Clay Cart," has announced its intention of producing very soon a new play in the Greek Theatre. The cast is to be composed entirely of college students.

MARRIAGES

Iota

Oct. 5, 1907. Helen Woods, ex-'08, was married to Dr. Harold J. Baker of Wellston, Oklahoma.

Lambda

Helen Ferguson, '01, was married to Samuel Dennis, Phi Delta Theta, on June 26, 1907.

Ruth P. Bond, '06, and Hollis E. Gray, Phi Delta Theta, were married on June 22. Mr. and Mrs. Gray's address is 279 Colchester Avenue, Burlington, Vermont.

Geneva A. Jones, '07, and Everett H. Field were married August 13, 1907. Their address will be South Union Street, Burlington, Vermont.

Chi

Married.—At Katonah, New York, August 5, 1907, Luella Clark Miller, '06, to the Reverend Edwin Taylor Iglehart of Tokio, Japan. At home after October 1, at Tokio.

Married.—At Buffalo, New York, August 17, 1907, Maud Merritt, '07, to Darius Alton Davis, S. U., '07, Beta Theta Pi. At home, 1476 Clifton St., N. W., Washington, D. C.

Married.—Mary Leone Cook, '05, to Daniel Holley Cole, Rochester, '95, Delta Upsilon. At home, Glens Falls, N. Y.

Beta

The marriage of Grace Clark, '07, Bloomington, to Mr. Wilbur Tisher, Sigma Chi, came as somewhat of a surprise to us last June. The wedding ceremony was performed at the home of the bride immediately after commencement exercises. Both were members of the graduating class and were married in their caps and gowns. Their home is now in Cleveland, Ohio.

On August 20 Martha Wier, Bloomington, and Mr. Frank Wylie were united in marriage. Mr. and Mrs. Wylie are now at home at 202 E. 7th St.

Epsilon

Mary Elder, '07, was married July 23 to James Michael, Alpha Tau Omega. Mr. and Mrs. Michael are residing in Wilkensburg, Pa.

Margaret Platter, '97, was married June 18 to Lester Brown, Beta Theta Pi. Mr. and Mrs. Brown have made their home in Lakeville, Conn.

Irene Flattery, '98, was married September 5 to Dr. Lee Scott. Dr. and Mrs. Scott will live in Rockford, Ill.

Eta

Mabel Katherine Davison, ex-'01, to John Ramsey Lotz, Oct. 12, 1907, Joliet, Illinois.

Annie L. White, '06, to Warren L. Emley, '06, Phi Kappa Psi, June 19, 1907. Address, Alpena, Mich.

Helen Post, '03, Detroit, Mich. to Walter H. Steele, of Chicago, June 29, 1907. Address, 6022 Monroe Ave., Chicago, Ill.

Mary Jane Haskin, ex-'09, Toledo, Ohio, to I. Jay Thorpe, '06, Theta Delta Chi, June 22, 1907. Address, 299 Jefferson Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Zella Zerefa Fay, '03, Los Angeles, Cal., to Ira A. Campbell, '00, Seattle, Wash. Address, Clark Hotel, Minor St. Seattle, Wash.

Jessie Obetz, ex-'08, Detroit, Mich., to William Hayes Rose, September 19. Address, 365 John R. St., Detroit, Mich.

Harriet Harrington, '04, Ann Arbor, to Edward Maynard, Phi Gamma Delta, Marquette, October 4. They will make their home in Denver, Col.

Mu

Martha Gaston, '02, Meadville, was married in September of this year to William Dunbar of Meadville.

Emma Hausman, '05, Erie, Pa., was married in the spring to Dr. Carl Kirchner of Erie.

Rebecca Langworthy, '02, Warren, Pa., now Mrs. Richmond, is living in Yonkers, N. Y.

Pi

Jessie Cooper, '01, was united in marriage September 4 to Dr. Lane of Kenosha, Wis. They will reside in that city.

Miss Harriet Dalrymple and Mr. Fred Day were married July 16 and are now living in their home, "Maple Crest," Little Falls, N. Y.

Alpha Gamma

On the evening of September 14 Hilda Weber was married to Mr. Theodore D. Crocker. Their home after October 15 will be in Milwaukee, Wis.

Delta

Edith Roberts and Mr. Weeks, Phi Delta Theta, were married in August.

Kappa

Darlene Doubleday, '01, Lawrence, Kans., was married September 13 to Mr. Oscar Wenby of Lawrence, Kans. Among her bridesmaids were Caroline Doubleday, Alice Sinclair, Nell Williams, and Mary Boaz.

Psi

Alice Perle Watson, ex-'08, Greggsville, Ill., was married in August, 1907, to Mr. Frank Benedict Sherman and now resides in Chicago, 6513 Lexington Ave.

Tau

Announcement is made of the marriage of Jane Constance Dale, ex-'06, to Mr. William Power of Chicago, on September 30. Mr. and Mrs. Power will live in Glencoe, Illinois.

Rho

Luella Brach to Gale Lawson, Hastings, June 16, 1907.

Martha Cline, '05, of Lincoln, to Yale Huffman, Delta U, of Sheridan, Wyoming, July 17, 1907. Mr. and Mrs. Huffman are living in Denver.

Helen Lawrence Laws ex-'08, to Herbert Avery, Phi Delta Theta, September 21.

Upsilon

Clara Vidger, ex-'07, of Fargo, N. Dak., to Fred Cope-
lin of Minneapolis.

Alpha Epsilon

October 2 Harriet Lorwan Hoyle, '07, was married to the Rev. Otis Greene, Phi Gamma Delta, Brown, '03. The bride was attended by Mabel Guile, '09, and Miss Pauline Hill of Providence. Rev. and Mrs. Greene will make their home in Mt. Gilead, Ohio.

Alpha

Alma John, '01, was married June 5 to Rev. Thomas P. Woodson, Delta Kappa Epsilon. They will live in East Templeton, Mass.

Elizabeth Towne and Rev. Robert Kimberlin, Phi Kappa Psi, were married June 25 at the bride's home in Green-castle. They will make their home in Boston, Mass.

The marriage of Gertrude Free, '07, to Paul Smith, Xi Nu, was celebrated at the "Claypool," Indianapolis, Ind., September 10. They went immediately to Boston where they are now at home.

Ruby Ferris was married in May to Mr. Maurice Tremont.

Eula Lee White, '07, was married to Mr. C. L. Grimes, Phi Delta Theta, June 25. Mr. Grimes is in business at Lindsay, Indian Territory.

Alpha Theta

Linna Williams, ex-'08, was married June 26, '07, to Mr. Hay Clark. After spending several weeks in Colorado, Mr. and Mrs. Clark returned to Bowie, Texas, where they will make their home.

Myrtle Garrett, ex-'08, was married June 5, 1907, to Mr. Frank Kiley. Mr. and Mrs. Kiley are at home in Nacogdoches, Texas.

Ethel Oliphant, '04, was married to Mr. Sam Porter June 20, '07, and is now at home in Denver, Col.

Omega

The marriage of Cornelia Stratton, '07, to Carleton Parker, '04, Delta Upsilon, on September 7. She will live in Seattle.

Elsie Burr, '03, was married to Harry Overstreet, '99, Beta Theta Pi.

Edna Wilde, '04, was married to Edward Brooks, '02, Delta Upsilon. They will live in Eureka.

BIRTHS

Alpha Beta

On Sept. 10, a daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Irvin T. Hull (Sarah Hunt, ex-'05).

Born to Mr. and Mrs. James J. Lippincott (Mary Stuart, ex-'06), a son, James Stuart on Sept. 30, 1907.

Alpha Delta

A daughter was born this summer to Mr. and Mrs. Evans Bixler.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. David C. Cook, Jr. (Frances Kerr), of Elgin, Illinois, on July 23, a daughter.

Alpha Epsilon

Born in September, 1907, to Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Harris (Florence Doane, '05), a son.

Born Sept. 1, 1907, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Frederic Savage (Ethel Rich, '03), a son, Donald Hurlburt.

Dean Meiklejohn of Brown University and Mrs. Meiklejohn (Nannine La Villa, Cornell, '99), are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son in September.

Mu

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Walter I. Bates (Marian Sackett), August, 1907, twin daughters.

Alpha Eta

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Masten (Martha Maney, '01), 4th St., Winston-Salem, N. C., a daughter, Martha Maney Masten, on Aug. 20.

Tau

Born to Mr. and Mrs. William Gazlay, a son, William Gazlay, Jr.

Upsilon

Born to Dr. and Mrs. Frank McKee (Glenn Stockton, '03), a daughter named Frances.

Kappa

Born to Mr. and Mrs. George Fitch (Clara Lynn), a daughter Mary Gattrell Fitch, August 8, in Peoria, Ill.

Omega

Born, on May 23, 1907, to Mr. and Mrs. Earl Garrettson, a daughter, Virginia Acheson, Hollywood, Cal.

Alpha Zeta

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Roland Smith (Jessie Cooke, ex-'07), a daughter.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Floyd M. Keeler (Romola Lyn, '04), a daughter, Kathryn.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Bull (Florence Lippincott, '99), a son.

Beta

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Will Kelly (Alberta Perry), Palo Alto, California, a son.

Born to Professor and Mrs. Myers (Maude Showers), a daughter.

Eta

Born to Mr. and Mrs. James Maclay (Winifred Craine, '95), a son, Malcolm Wales Maclay, September 29, 1907, in Pleasantville, N. Y.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Harold C. Hooker (Mary Stewart), a son, John Harold Hooker, August 5, 1907. 400 E. 66th St.

Mu

Born, June 12, to Mr. and Mrs. W. J. McQuiston (Margaret McLaughlin), a daughter.

DEATHS

Lambda

Muriel Goodwin, of the class of 1910, died on May 6 after a painful illness of about two months. Although we had known her but a short time, her high aspirations and beautiful life showed us her lovely character.

Epsilon

Daisy Grey Endsley died in June. Our most sincere sympathies go to the husband and small daughter who are left behind.

Delta

Just before the opening of the school year, we of Delta chapter were most grieved to hear of the death of Florence Pitts, of Bloomington, Illinois. She had graduated from the Normal there, and later attended the University of Illinois, graduating in 1904. In 1906 she took her Master's degree. The year 1906-1907 she spent in the University of Paris. She had been appointed Dean of Women at the Illinois Wesleyan University, for the following year and was ready to enter upon her duties, when she contracted a case of typhoid fever, which resulted in her death.

Upsilon

Upsilon suffered the loss of Isabelle Armstrong Rawson, ex-'00, who died on September 23, 1907. Besides the many friends who grieve at her going she leaves a husband, Dr. Harry Rawson, a daughter, aged ten months, her mother and brother.

PERSONALS

Iota

Sara Bailey, '09, Ithaca, N. Y., has returned after a year at Smith College, to complete her course at Cornell.

Christiana Busbee, '05, Raleigh, North Carolina, has returned to Cornell for graduate work.

Mrs. E. L. Nichols and Elizabeth Nichols, Ithaca, N. Y., have lately returned from an extended tour of the Mediterranean countries.

The engagement of Alice Durland, '05, to Mr. G. Raymond Brick of Huntington, N. Y., was announced June 26, at a luncheon given to a few of her friends.

The engagement of Sara M. Bailey, '09, to Mr. John Gallagher, Cornell, '07, has just been announced.

Grace R. Gilbert, Brooklyn, N. Y., is now teaching in the Lockport High School, N. Y.

Mary V. Donnellan, Binghamton, N. Y., has secured a position as teacher of English in Binghamton, N. Y.

Marian Leatherman, Pittsburg, Pa., is at present doing secretarial work in the Margaret Morrison Carnegie School for Women, Pittsburg.

Lambda

Edith Abbott, '00-'01, is an assistant in the Art Department of the New York Training School for Teachers, New York City.

Hattie Hodge, '03, is assistant kindergartner in the New York Kindergarten Association at the Rivington Street College Settlement. Her present address is 95 Rivington Street, New York City.

Ruth Keese, ex-'05, is at St. Anthony, Newfoundland, in connection with Dr. Grenfell's work there.

Gertrude Thompson, '07, is teaching in the high school at Hyde Park, Vermont.

Mabel Brownell, '01, is engaged in Y. W. C. A. work in Lowell, Massachusetts.

Ethel Humphrey, ex-'08, is living in Pike, New Hampshire.

Mrs. Allen Cockle, '97 (née May Edwards), has gone to Denver, Colorado.

Effie Wells, '07, is at her home 407 College Street, Burlington, Vermont.

Sigma

The engagement is announced of Daisy Crampton, '04, to Mr. W. J. K. Vanston, '04.

Maud L. Menton, '04 Arts, '07 Med., has won a Rockefeller Scholarship for Medical Research. She left at the end of September to spend the winter in New York City at the Rockefeller Institute.

Hazel Kemp, '10, spent the summer travelling in England and France.

Maimie Millichamp, '03, will spend the winter in Paris, studying at the Sorbonne.

Mabel Steele, '07, comes to Toronto from her home in Dundas every week for music lessons.

Helen Thomson, '08, the President of the Y. W. C. A., was the delegate to Silver Bay in June, and had several delightful meetings with Thetas there.

Graduates of last June:

Edith E. Vandersmissen, 15 Surrey Place, Toronto.

Margaret Anderson, 6 Castlebank Road, Toronto.

Bertha Bastedo, 13 Admiral Road, Toronto.

Mabel H. Millman, 490 Huron Street, Toronto.

Mabel E. Steele, Dundas, Ontario.

Chi

At the June banquet the engagement was announced of Eloise Andrews, '09, to Harry E. Woolever, S. U. '07, Phi Kappa Psi.

On October ninth will occur the marriage of Mabel V. W. Parker, '00, to Mr. Giles Stillwell, S. U., Delta Kappa Epsilon.

Elizabeth Dean, '01, Manchester, Conn., visited at the chapter house the first of October.

Maude Millington, ex-'05, Herkimer, N. Y., visited the chapter the latter part of September.

Ella Hale, Alpha Kappa, spent a few days with us the first week of October. We are glad to know another sister from the "baby chapter."

Elizabeth H. Tennaut, ex-'08, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; Anastatia Coady, ex-'08, Dover, Del.; Amy Quackenbush, ex-'09, Herkimer, N. Y.; and Julie Whipple, ex-'07, Glens Falls, N. Y., were here for the June banquet.

Mrs. Mary Blair Losey, '06, is teaching English in Howard Seminary, Bridgewater, Mass.

Matilda Alexander, ex-'06, Syracuse, N. Y., has just returned from a four months' trip on the continent.

Graduates of 1907:

Ruth Emma Ambler is teaching French and German at Sangertes, New York.

Virginia Emmons is at home at Manlius, New York.

Maud Merritt Davis (Mrs. D. A.), is at home to all Thetas at 1476 Clifton St. N. W., Washington, D. C.

Myra Louise Norris is teaching in the Commercial School in Boston, Mass.

Florence Wilson is teaching at her home in South Butler, N. Y.

Grace O'Hara is assistant in the history department in the University, and working toward her Master's degree.

Alpha Beta

Myra G. Abrams, ex-'04, is taking a course in Kindergarten work in Philadelphia.

Julia Yerkes Atkinson, '07, is teaching in Berwyn High School, Berwyn, Pa.

Mabel Creth Sullivan, '07, who has been traveling in Europe this summer, arrived in New York on Oct. 4.

Last week we enjoyed a visit from Mary W. Lippincott, former president of Alpha District. Miss Lippincott returned in August from a delightful trip on the continent.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Walter (Caroline Sargent, '94), have moved into an attractive home at Swarthmore.

Alpha Delta

Lois Hill, ex-'06, Martha Hill, ex-'08, and Edith Sprowles, '07, spent the summer together in Europe.

Ann Seymour Miller, '07, is teaching school in Onancock, Virginia.

Ethel Sharpe, '01, whose engagement to Mr. Robert Griffin, Zeta Psi of Yale, has been previously announced in this JOURNAL, will be married October the twenty-third, at her home in Baltimore. Alice Dinger, '01, of Pittsburg, is to be one of the bridesmaids.

Page Dame, '06, is taking post graduate work at Woman's College of Baltimore.

Mary Adams spent the first week of October in Baltimore.

Ruth Haslup is teaching school in Catonsville, Md.

Anne Haslup is in New York City in the Editorial Department of "World Wide Missions."

Alpha Epsilon

Katharine Littlefield, '02, is teaching music in Millersville, Pa.

Professor and Mrs. William McDonald (Harriet Has-

kell, Kansas, Kappa chapter), spent the summer in California where Professor McDonald lectured at the University of California.

May Hartwell, '10 special, is at present studying at Oxford.

Laura R. Sherman, '06, has taken a position in the High School at Newburyport, Mass.

Zerrie F. F. Huntsman is teaching in the High School at Peacedale, R. I.

On October 30, the marriage will take place of Alice Morse Barrett, '03, to the Rev. Alexander Abbott, Phi Delta Phi, Brown, '03.

May Hartwell, '10 special, and Nelly Evans spent the summer in Europe.

The engagement has been announced of Sarah K. Cady, '05, to Walter Patten, Alpha Delta Phi, Wesleyan, '07.

Alpha Zeta

Amelia Leavit Hill, '05, sailed for Europe Sept. 30.

Muriel Valentine, '07, is studying music in Dresden.

1907 Graduates:

Cora Bennett; Mary Leipe; Grace C. Turnbull, 27 Burnett St., East Orange, N. J.; Muriel Valentine; Edna Brown.

Alpha Kappa

Laura M. Walsh, '07, Brooklyn, N. Y., has just returned from a trip abroad.

Eva Capron, Iota, Alpha District President, is with us often. We appreciate her interest and help.

Genevieve W. Beavers, '07, Brooklyn, N. Y., is doing sociological work under Dr. Annie M. MacLean of Adelphi College.

Lois and Martha Hill and Lucile Locke, Thetas of Baltimore, visited us during the month.

Alpha

Eight of our girls graduated last year,—Elizabeth Dougherty is attending Wellesley; Frances Wales is teaching school at Rockville; Emily Gould is teaching German in the high school at Nortonville, Kansas; Louise Pigman, Stella Worthington, Mabel O'Hair are all teaching; Claribelle Hood is at her home in Portland; and Gertrude Free is married.

Four of our girls have not returned to De Pauw this year. Jess Riley is at Indiana University, Mildred Jones is at Northwestern, Helen Reckert is at her home in Terre Haute, Ind., and Marie Hendu is teaching school in Anderson.

Susie McWhitter, '08, has entered Vassar.

Beta

On account of the illness of her mother, Lucile Compton, '10, was unable to return to college this term but visited us for a few days during the spike.

Mary Snodgrass, '07, is teaching in Indianapolis.

Pearl Jones, '07, is teaching English and History in the Bloomington High School.

Another bride who now makes Bloomington her home is Mrs. Herbert Beck (Mary Hamilton, '06).

Mary Hicks, ex-'08, has returned to Boston this year to continue her work in the Conservatory of Music.

We were pleased to have the following visitors this fall. Mable Robertson, ex-'08, Waveland; Grace Carson, '10, Huntington, and Mrs. Hitz (Mary O'Hair), Indianapolis.

Irma Korb's engagement to Mr. Carroll Johnson has been announced.

Professor and Mrs. Sembower (Alta Lois Brunt), are now at the University of Pennsylvania where Mr. Sembower has a fellowship.

Mayme Swindler, '06, left this week for Bryn Mawr where she will continue her work.

We were glad to have as our guest during the rush Mable Walker, Epsilon. Last year she graduated from Smith and is now at home in Buffalo.

Mary Snodgrass and Hilda Palmer were our delegates to Geneva this year.

The 1907 graduates were: Mary Snodgrass, Laura Shryor, Grace Clark, Pearl C. Jones.

Epsilon

Jane Lea Corbett, '07, is teaching this year in the High School at Lima, Ohio.

Margaret Pomeroy, '07, is spending the winter at her home in Harrisburg, Pa.

Edith Fulton, '07, is teaching this year in Madison, Pa.

Frances Kauke, ex-'08, is spending the winter in Exeter, California.

Laura Fulton, '05, is teaching this year in the High School at Lima, Ohio.

Laura Anderson, '06, has returned to her position as teacher of Latin and German in Albany College, Albany, Oregon.

Evelyn Lucas, '09, is back in college again this year.

Caroline McCulloch Spencer was with us for a few days at the opening of college.

Edna Saunders, '07, is spending the winter at her home in Denison, Texas.

Eta

Mrs. Lewis Gustafson (Irene Baker, '00), will soon move to St. Louis, Mo., as Mr. Gustafson is to be in charge of a new Trade School which is to be erected in that city.

Eta extends her sympathy to Mary Robison Heap, ex-'03, who has recently lost her father.

Mrs. Charles W. Eichrodt, Gamma, spent a Sunday in October in Ann Arbor and we were delighted to receive her at Eta's chapter house.

Mrs. Mason has been visiting Mabel Mason for a week or so.

Esther Harmon, '05, Toledo, Ohio, has gone abroad to continue her studies in Germany, having been awarded a fellowship from Bryn Mawr for study at the University of Berlin.

Louise Hills, '06, has begun teaching in Mancelona, Michigan.

Ruth Manville, ex-'08, is teaching at her home in West Chicago.

Myra Post Cady, '95, has been visiting here, aiding us most materially in settling our home and in rushing. She is President of the College Club in Detroit this year. Address, 550 Jefferson Ave., Detroit.

Mu

Katherine Adams, '07, is teaching German and algebra in the preparatory school of Allegheny College.

Iva Berkey, '07, Ligonier, Pa., is in the high schools of Hollidaysburg, Pa., teaching history.

Amy Courtney, '07, Zanesville, Ohio, is teaching in the Charleston, W. Va., high school.

Rena Burnham, '06, Erie, Pa., has entered Mt. Holyoke this year.

Ethel Canfield, '06, is teaching in the Cambridge, Pa., high school.

Phoebe Finley, '05, of McKeesport, Pa., is at her home, 245 Butler avenue, in that city.

Mrs. Edna Gailey Calvert, '02, Enon Valley, Pa., is living at 5743 Howe St., Pittsburg, Pa.

Hattie O. Johnson, '07, is doing settlement work at the Locust Point Settlement in Baltimore.

Dottie Johnston, '05, Pittsburg, is at her home, 198 Main St., Pittsburg, West End.

Lettie Johnston, '05, is engaged in settlement work at the Warner House in Baltimore.

Grace Jones, '05, Franklin, Pa., is teaching in the schools of Ben Avon, Pa.

Florence Phillips, '07, is teaching in the schools at Youngstown, Ohio.

Elizabeth Roberts, '07, is teaching German and Latin in the preparatory school at New South Lynn, Ohio.

Mary Sansom, '05, Clarion, Pa., did not return to school this year on account of the illness of her mother.

Effie Milliren, '07, is teaching in the high school at Reynoldsville, Pa.

Mrs. Nelle Fitzgerald Merrill, '03, Marienville, Pa., is now living at Madison, N. J.

Mary Von Stoch, '06, Bradford, Pa., is at her home in that city.

Pi

Mrs. Fred Northwood (Emma Osborn) '00, and her son of Chicago are going to spend the winter months with us here.

Clara Belle Shaffer, '07, is spending four months at Aberdeen, S. Dak. Her address is 324 8th Ave. E.

Racelia Rolston, '07, is teaching voice in a girl's school at Mobile, Alabama.

Myrtle Smith, '09, is teaching in the Swanton, Ohio, high school.

Mae Mulholland, '07, of Cass City, is taking up a normal course at Ypsilanti, Michigan.

Josephine Ostrander is teaching in her home town, Waterville, Ohio.

Josephine Cooper, '06, of Kenosha, Wisconsin, is attending Northwestern this year.

Emma Holbrook is teaching in Taylorville, Ill.

Ruth Haller is attending the U. of M.

Marion Hanlon, '00 (Mrs. Howard Van Auken), has recently moved to Indianapolis where her husband has a charge.

Mrs. Frank Shipp (Vieva Parmeters), '96, was on the campus conference week. Her home is in Gaylord, Mich.

Mrs. R. Raymond (Mary Garfield), '94, spent three weeks in Albion recently. Her home is 801 Holland Ave., Saginaw, Mich.

Mrs. Conklin (Della Merrill), '92, from Louisiana, is spending several weeks near here preparing to go to her new home at Rochester, N. Y.

Mrs. George D. Brown (Ella M. Sloat), '94, of Detroit, Mich., was with us conference week.

Alpha Gamma

Edith Wilson, '07, Selma, Ohio, is teaching in the schools of Selma.

Frances Patterson, '07, Columbus, Ohio, is director of physical culture at Olivet College, Olivet, Mich.

The engagement of Edith Jackson, '07, to Mr. Adolph Theobald, Sigma Nu, is announced.

Edith Richardson, '07, Columbus, Ohio, is instructor of English in the Columbus School for Girls.

Edith Jackson, '07, Portsmouth, Ohio, has accepted the position of instructor of Latin in the high school of Portsmouth, Ohio.

The engagement of Edith Richardson to Professor Edgar L. Ingraham, Assistant Professor of Romance Languages at Ohio State University has recently been announced.

February has been set as the date for the marriage of Ina McCulley to Mr. Robert Barringer, Phi Delta Theta. Louise Grace is at her home in Cushville, Ohio.

Susan Subert is at home, 813 Bryden Road, Columbus, Ohio.

Ruth Davis is at home, 475 E. Town St., Columbus.

Edith Richardson, '07, 1468 Michigan Ave., is instructor of English in the Columbus School for Girls.

Edith Wilson, '07, is teaching in the schools of Selma, Ohio.

Ina McCulley's address is 1414 Highland St., Columbus, Ohio.

Margaret Mauk, '06, is at home, 743 Franklin Ave., Columbus, Ohio.

Alice Thatcher, '06, 131 Woodland Ave., Columbus, O., is taking post graduate work in domestic science at Ohio State University.

Mignon Poste, '06, is living at her home, 357 Linwood Ave., Columbus, Ohio.

Alice Marsh, '06, is teaching in Greenville, Ohio.

Mrs. Marie Sater Scott's home is in Knoxville, Tenn

May Siebert is living at 813 Bryden Road, Columbus, Ohio.

Edith Jackson, '07, is teaching Latin in the high school of Portsmouth, Ohio.

Mrs. Nell Browne Lisle is living here in Columbus at 638 Rich St.

Meta Klie is to be found at her home, 66 Hoffman Ave. Columbus, Ohio.

Mary Bohanon is studying for a trained nurse at Johns Hopkins University.

Mrs. Helen Hunt Zartman is in her new home on Alsopp Ave., Columbus, Ohio.

Eugenia Rounsavell, 304 Tappan St., is teaching domestic science in the public schools here.

Alpha Eta

Madge Cannon, '03, McKenzie, Pa., is teaching in the school at her home.

Roberta Dubose, '04, Nashville, Pa., 904 17th Ave. S., after teaching two years is spending the winter at home.

Rachel Crook, '03-'04, Union Springs, Ala., is teaching at Opelika, Ala.

Marjorie Harrison, '03-'06, Pazwell, Va., is doing special work at Barnard where she affiliates with Alpha Zeta.

May Belle Saunders, '03-'05, Broad St. and 16th Ave., Nashville, Tenn., is spending the winter at her home.

Margerie Ezzell, '03-'05, 1004 3rd Ave. S., Nashville, Tenn., is teaching in Logan College, Russellville, Ky.

Sophie and Rosa Ambrose, '07, 206 12th St., Nashville, Tenn., will be here for the winter. During the rushing season they were hostesses of quite a jolly trip to Craggie Hope, a lovely summer resort a few miles from the city.

Mary Lipe, '03-'06, 1501 McGavock St., Nashville, Tenn., who received her B.A. at Barnard last year, has returned for her M.A.

Flora Steele, '03-'06, Tazwell, Va., is teaching in Centenary College, Cleveland, Penn.

Mrs. Nona Murrell Kip, '03-'05, Nashville, Tenn., was last year at Harvard where her husband, Dr. Kip, Professor of German in V. U., spent his leave of absence.

Agnes Amis, '05-'07, Columbia, Pa., will be out of college this year on account of the serious illness of her mother.

Clara Smith, '05-'06, McKenzie, Tenn., is teaching in a Vanderbilt training school at Munford, Tenn.

Elizabeth Adams, '04-'05, Locust Ridge, La., will spend the winter at home.

Stroud Hall, '07, Stephens, Ark., is teaching in the Georgia Military Academy, College Park, Ga.

Maria Mason, '05, Jackson, La., is teaching at Howard-Payne College, Fayette, Mo.

We are glad to announce that Katie Guill, '07, 1204 Russell St., Nashville, Tenn., has recovered from her serious illness and will spend the winter at home.

Ruth Taylor, '04-'05, Rutledge Ave., Charleston, S. C., spent the summer on the sea shore at their summer home, Atlanticville, S. C.

Elise Handly, '08, 321 21st Ave., Nashville, Tenn.; Annie Mason, '08, Jackson, La.; Maria Mason, '05, Jackson, La.; Sophie and Rosa Ambrose, '07, 206 12th St., Nashville, Tenn., attended convention this summer.

Delta

Isabella Fyfe, '05, Sabra Stevens, '06, Pearl Higinbotham, '05, and Clara Brookings, ex-'05, have visited us this fall.

The engagement has been announced of Helen Bullard, '05, to Mr. Madison C. Bates, head of the English department in the State College of South Dakota.

Pearl Higinbotham, '05, has announced her engagement to Frank Collins, of Arcola, Illinois.

Hope Herrick, of Farmer City, is spending a few days with us during the rush. She expects to re-enter the university for the second semester, and take her degree in June.

Virginia Taylor, ex-'08, is teaching in Lisbon, North Dakota.

The engagement of Minnie Parker, '08, to E. E. Stults, '07, Phi Gamma Delta, has been announced.

Alice Pitts, ex-'08, has announced her engagement to Fred Crane, Beta Theta Pi.

Kappa

Miss Anna Harrison, '02, Topeka, Kans., Grand President of Kappa Alpha Theta, has been spending a week at the chapter house.

Hedwig Berger, '06, Kansas City, Mo., has been spending a few days at the chapter house. Miss Berger is a teacher of English in the Manual Training High School. Her present address is, 3410 Central St., Kansas City, Mo.

Hellen Havens, '06, Minneapolis, Kans., visited her Lawrence friends a few days ago.

Mary Ward, '07, of Belleville, Kans., spent a few days at the chapter house.

Bertha Bowen, '07, of Independence, Kans., spent a few days at the chapter house.

Iva Spaulding, '07, of Cameron, Mo., who will re-enter school next term, visited at the chapter house a few days ago.

Tau

Alta Miller, '97, who has been spending over a year at Paris studying voice with Jean De Reszke, expects to return to Evanston in November.

Lora McCoid has entered the University of Nebraska as a member of the class of '09.

Ruth McCabe, ex-'09, is attending school at the Rudolph-Macon College.

Gwendolyn Clark, ex-'08, is taking some work at Chicago University this winter.

Josephine Alexander, ex-'10, is spending the winter in Kansas City where she is studying music.

Tau is very proud of the fact that one of her charter members, Eva Hall, has become a district president.

Edith Klett, ex-'08, visited us for a few days the last of September, on her way to Bryn Mawr where she will enter college this year.

Helen Holton, '08, is at Butler College for the first half of the year but will return to Northwestern in February to graduate.

Mary Orth Webster, '01, spent the summer in Europe.

Sarah Yount, '07, is teaching in the public schools at Crawfordsville, Indiana.

Herta Curme Davis, ex-'05, is now living in San Diego, California.

Elsie Ashley is attending Indiana University this winter, but expects to be with us again next year.

Upsilon

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Copelin (néé Clare Vidger, ex-'07), are living in Faribault, Minn.

Kate Boynton, ex-'08, is teaching at Greene, N. Y.

Blanche Stanford (Bissell), '03, is abroad.

Emily Hyde, ex-'10, is studying music at the Thomas Industrial School, Detroit, Minn.

Eugenia, '05, and Adelaide Lamphere, '06, St. Paul, have moved to Palouse, Wash., to live.

Ruth Haynes, '06, Grace LaVayea, '03, Clara Smith, Phi, and Henrietta Mossbacker, National Park, returned home from their trip in Europe about the middle of July.

Emily Leonard, ex-'07, is doing settlement work at Pillsbury Home, Minneapolis.

Harriet Watson, '04, is teaching this year at Sycamore, Ill.

Bessie Scripture has gone to Willmar, Minn., to teach.

Helen Aldrich visited her cousin, Ruth Leonard, during the summer.

Katherine Kennedy will travel with her mother in California this winter.

Maidie Traver Stockton spent September in Hartford, visiting her parents and sisters.

Among the early members of the chapter who visited in Minneapolis during the summer were Mrs. Soares, Mrs. Stockwell and Mrs. Fling.

Alice French is living in Lawndale, California.

Elizabeth Fisher Barker is visiting in Minneapolis at present.

Louise Chapman, '08, spent some time in the city this fall.

Psi

Helen Gilman, '07, Madison, Wis., has accepted temporarily a position in the Mt. Horeb High School, Mt. Horeb, Wis.

Frances MacIntosh, '07, Madison, is teaching Latin and German in the Oconto High School. Address, Oconto, Wis.

Ruth Goe, '07, Madison, is in her father's office in Chicago. Address, 151 East Gorham St., Madison, Wis.

Grace Gilmore, '07, Auburn, Nebraska, is at home this year.

Elizabeth Hastings, '07, Oregon, Illinois, contemplates studying at the Art Institute of Chicago. Address, Oregon, Illinois.

Charlotte White, '07, Madison, has not yet returned from her California trip. Address, 302 Murray Street, Madison, Wis.

Dorothy White, '07, Madison, is at home this year, 302 Murray Street, Madison, Wis.

Helen Head, '07, Albion, Wisconsin, is also home this year. Address, Albion, Wis.

Martha Gale, ex-'09, Oregon, Illinois, is at home.

Ruth Cook, ex-'09, Chicago, is at Bryn Mawr for the year.

We have been very glad to welcome two Thetas, Ora Williams of Butler College, and Marguerite Cunningham of the Woman's College of Baltimore. Both are in the Carnegie Library School in this city. Address, both at 823 Irving Place.

Anna Farwell, ex-'10, Dodgeville, Wis., is attending the Stout Manual Training School in Menominee, Wis.

Alpha Iota

Two of our girls, Johanna Hoolan, '06, St. Louis, Mo., and Sarah Clayton, '05, Kirkwood, Mo., are expected home from Europe within the next few days.

Caroline Steinbreder '06, St. Louis, Mo., has been appointed teacher of German at Central High School, St. Louis.

Alpha Theta

Leda Maude Nash, '09, attended the Y. W. C. A. conference at Cascade, Col.

Lucy Gibbs, ex-'09, came down for the opening of school but has returned to Navasota where she has a class in music.

Marie Streeter, ex-'10, is spending the winter in Birmingham, Alabama.

Mrs. Alma Proctor Hatchett, '05, was in Austin a few days last week.

Grace Nash, '08, after three months of travel abroad, has returned to the University where she is acting as secretary to Mrs. Kirby, Dean of Women.

Lillian Green, '04, has resumed her work in the Waco High School after a delightful summer in Europe.

Linda Spence, '09; Adele Johnson, '06; Lucy Whitney, ex-'08; Lily Bess Campbell, M.A. '06, attended the Theta convention.

Sadie Kell, '08, and Miss Willie May Kell, '09, spent the summer in Colorado Springs.

Jean Mateer, ex-'09, has gone abroad and will spend the next two years in foreign travel.

Julia Estill, M.A. '05, spent rushing season with Alpha Theta.

Mrs. Myrtle Garrett Kiley spent the first two weeks of school with Alpha Theta.

Phi

Edith Cory Alexander, '89-'90, is now in San Jose, Calif. Her address is 560 S. Sixth St.

Edith Wilcox Beasley, '92, visited the chapter last commencement. Her address is 148 S. Eleventh St., San Jose, Calif.

Katherine Nash Thomas, '95, is now in Ithaca, New York, where her husband is a member of the Cornell faculty.

Louise Pitcher Lawshe, '97, lives in New York. Her address is 13 W. 103rd St.

Barbara Hilt Alden, ex-'04, and her husband expect to spend the coming year abroad.

Edith M. Barnhisel, '99, was married on June 5th to Mr. Forest Fisher, also a Stanford graduate. Mr. Fisher's business address is Fenton Bldg., Portland, Oregon.

Mr. Charles B. Hudson, husband of Grace Barnhisel, '00, has recently published a novel through Scribner's which has received most favorable comment from the critics.

Pearle Green, '98, is spending the winter with her sister, Ruby Green Smith, '02, at Cornell where Mr. Smith is dean of the engineering college. Her address is 15 East Ave., Ithaca, N. Y.

Omega

Ethel Richardson, '05, is teaching at the Polytechnic High School in San Luis Obispo.

Katherine Bunnell, '04, has announced her engagement to William Gorrill, Beta Theta Pi.

Helen Parker, '06, has announced her engagement to Lieutenant Henry Abercrombie Finch, U. S. A.

Eula Glide, '08, is at present traveling in Europe.

Miriam Edwards, '07, is now studying in Boston.

Adelaide Bangs, '09, has announced her engagement to Samuel Palmer Eastman, '05, Sigma Chi.

NEWS FROM THE COLLEGE WORLD

Alpha Phi has entered Toronto.

Alpha Xi Delta announces the installation of Lambda chapter at Tuft's College and the coming installation of chapters at Minnesota and the University of Washington.

Pi Beta Phi has reestablished her Minnesota Alpha Chapter.

Phi Kappa Psi has entered Case.

Beta Theta Pi has entered Toronto and has voted to grant a charter to the Oklahoma group.

Delta Tau Delta has entered Purdue.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon will install a chapter at Dartmouth.

Sigma Nu has entered Dartmouth.

Delta Kappa Epsilon holds its convention in Louisville, Ky., in November.

Phi Delta Theta and Alpha Tau Omega will hold conventions in Pittsburgh, in November and December, respectively.

Sigma Chi held its grand chapter meeting at Jamestown, July 30—Aug. 2.

Alpha Chi Omega announces the installation of Mu chapter at Simpson College and Nu at the University of Colorado.

Phi Beta Kappa entered the University of Illinois this fall.

According to the *Independent* of February 14, the reports of attendance at the twenty-one German universities show 45,136 on the list. The total foreign enrollment is 4,151, of whom 1,890 are Russians and 303 Americans. "The woman contingent is the greatest in the history of the Berlin institution, being 783, a phenomenal growth from the 96 of ten years ago. Of these, however, 601 are German. . . . The bulk of these women—namely, 576—declare that their purpose is only general improvement in education, while only 36 propose to take the doctor's degree and 83 expect to be teachers in high schools for girls. . . . A vigorous effort is being made, and it is claimed with prospects of success, to have Prussia open its excellent universities to women, too, as this has been done by the South German institutions."—*Sigma Chi Quarterly*.

The Washington State Legislature, just adjourned, appropriated approximately \$1,500,000 for the use of the University in the next two years. One million dollars is for the purpose of the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition, which is to be held on the campus in 1909, and then these buildings will be for the permanent use of the University. The Exposition people will spend about \$150,000 in beautifying the campus and preparing the grounds for the exposition. This work is just being started and hundreds of men will be at work this summer in clearing off the brush and trees

ready for the parking. It might be well, by word of explanation, to say here that but a small portion of the three hundred and seventy acres of the campus has yet been cleared of a dense, virgin forest, such as only those who have seen a Washington forest can appreciate. There is a movement on foot also to have the federal government building planned so that it may be used for University purposes after the fair. Several of the State Clubs here in Seattle are already working for the same ends in the state buildings. The New York Club for instance, want their building so planned that it may become the permanent residence of the President of the University.—Seattle, Wash., Chap. letter Beta Theta Pi.—*Trident*.

The Woman's Gymnasium for the University of Wisconsin will be completed for use a year from this fall and will be the finest woman's gymnasium in the country. It is the first of a group of buildings to form the Woman's Quadrangle.

Kansas University has a fine new gymnasium, which opens for use this fall.

Stanford University and the University of California have permanently adopted the English Rugby football game.

Mrs. Leland Stanford's personal jewels have been sold at auction, bringing in between two and three hundred thousand dollars. This goes to the Stanford library, according to Mrs. Stanford's will.

Toronto has three new faculties added to its list: Domestic Science, Forestry, and Education. Within the past three years the University has added six new buildings.

The Hearst Memorial Mining Building at the University of California was dedicated in August. Work has begun on the new library.

Mrs. Sage has given \$100,000 to Syracuse University.

The new stadium at Syracuse, said to be the finest in America, is in use.

The "Temple," at the University of Nebraska, built through the generosity of John D. Rockefeller and the contributions of students, is nearly completed.

Through the generosity of Mrs. Eliza McMillan, Washington University, St. Louis, is now equipped with a girls' dormitory, accommodating about 125 students.

Chancellor Chaplin of Washington University, has resigned after sixteen years of service. Dean Snow is acting chancellor.

The Michigan Union, a social organization, open to all men students at the University, will be in its new clubhouse the first of November.

Work has begun on the Memorial Building at the University of Michigan. It is erected by alumni to the memory of those who fell in the war.

Michigan University is to have a new Dental Building, upon which work has been begun.

EXCHANGES

Exchange editor, Myra Post Cady.

Please see that the following addresses are on your exchange list:

Edith D. Cockins, 138 Neil Ave., Columbus, Ohio.

Mrs. Wm. B. Cady, 550 Jefferson Ave., Detroit, Mich.

Charlotte H. Walker, 1129 Washtenaw Ave., Ann Arbor, Mich.

We wish to acknowledge the following exchanges:

March: *Beta Theta Pi*.

April: *The Scroll of Phi Delta Theta*; *Phi Gamma Delta*; *The Phi Chi Quarterly*.

May: *The Key of Kappa Kappa Gamma*; *Alpha Xi Delta*; *The Eleusis of Chi Omega*; *The Alpha Phi Quarterly*; *The Delta Upsilon Quarterly*; *The Record of Sigma Alpha Epsilon*; *The Sigma Chi Quarterly*; *The Delta of Sigma Nu*; *The Garnet and White of Alpha Chi Rho*.

June: *The Trident of Delta Delta Delta*; *The Crescent of Gamma Phi Beta*; *The Eleusis of Chi Omega*; *The Lyre of Alpha Chi Omega*; *Kappa Alpha Journal*; *Beta Theta Pi*; *The Caduceus of Kappa Sigma*; *The Shield of Phi Kappa Psi*; *The Rainbow of Delta Tau Delta*; *The Carnation of Delta Sigma Phi*.

July: *The Anchora of Delta Gamma*; *The Arrow of Phi Beta Phi*; *The Phi Chi Quarterly*.

August: *The Shield of Phi Kappa Psi*; *The Delta of Sigma Nu*; *The Centaur of Alpha Kappa Kappa*.

September: *The Garnet and White*; *The Delta Upsilon Quarterly*.

In connection with the agitation for and against the fraternity system, the following clippings are of interest.

"The fraternities must themselves study thoroughly, conscientiously and systematically the great problems of student life which have recently grown up, and which the faculty system has been powerless to solve. In such a work they will have the hearty coöperation of their own alumni, within and without the faculties, and of many alumni who never belonged to a fraternity. The chief danger is that we shall undertake a really great work in the narrow-minded and bigoted "secret society" spirit that has so

long prevailed in fraternity matters; that we shall treat it as a fraternity and not as an educational problem. It is no longer a fraternity question, but one of educational and vital importance to thousands of undergraduates whether they belong to a fraternity or not."—Mr. Birdseye in *The Outlook*, quoted by *The Crescent*.

"There are today more than fifty thousand members of the collegiate fraternity. It is not possible with such a membership that there are no individuals and chapters whose actions sometimes bring censure upon themselves and shame to the fraternity. . . . The three great professions, theology, medicine, and law, demand from their members substantially the same standard as does the fraternity of its members. Yet he that would call all ministers blatant because of the folly of some, that would term all doctors quacks, because of the frauds engendered in the name of medicine, or that would judge all lawyers by the standard of the ambulance chaser—such a critic as he would speedily feel the scorn of an honest public opinion. These premises may be as equally applied to the critics of the fraternity who judge it by isolated instances, and equally well may the same conclusion be drawn in regard to them.

"But because of facts such as these offenses against the fraternity by its members should not be condoned. . . . Although the offenses of fraternity men do not differ from those of non-fraternity men, and indeed there are but few of these 'offenses' that really deserve so opprobrious a name, yet certain of them should be suppressed, for an offense not suppressed is very liable to repetition and imitation, and a sufficient number of isolated instances form a firm basis for a generalization."—Quoted by *The Rainbow* from *The Kappa Alpha Journal*.

"In the early days, generally speaking, faculties and trustees opposed fraternities; later they ignored them; now they are almost universally coming to recognize them as important factors in college life and valuable adjuncts to the institution. This is as it should be. The aims and purposes of a well regulated chapter are so much in harmony with the aims and purposes of the college that the efforts put forth on behalf of the chapter very often result in valuable assistance to the college."—*The Scroll*.

"If the fraternity is to yield to the tendency in college life toward luxurious enervation and purposeless dawdling in college work, it had better perish from the earth. If it is to continue to represent ideals, and inspire to achievement, then it is worth while."—*The Shield*.

"The good fellowship, loyalty, *esprit de corps*, in a word, all that is worth while in the fraternities of men, have their faithful counterpart in similar organizations for women. Women in the bond of fraternities become broader, less petty, more loyal, quickened in the genuine social instinct, and best of all, more learned in the art of friendship."—*The Key*.

"The truth is, that this great system with its precious privileges and its golden opportunities has in a measure been perverted and abused. An enumeration of the objections proves the statement. And the lesson is, that the system must reform or meet the displeasure of a public which now apparently seeks its abolition or a limitation of its circle of contact with the nonfraternity element in student life."—*The Record*.

"In general, the chapter house quickens and intensifies the intellectual life of the college. It makes the force of religious example to be seen life of the college. . . . It brings relief to wearisome routine. Its future years with delightful memories. The possibilities of the chapter house are yet in their infancy. In their full development they promise to be to American institutions what the English colleges are to the great universities.—The late H. A. Frink, Professor at Amherst, in *The Circle* for April.—*Phi Gamma Delta*.

"And here is the evidence of two successful men in the world, two of the best products of the college fraternity system, Governor Hughes and Secretary Root. Governor Hughes says: '. . . . Fortunate is the young man, who in his college relations finds himself constrained by some worthy ideal which makes him feel he will be untrue to his former associations unless he measures up to the talents that have been given to him. Let nothing rob us of the spirit of fraternity.'

"Secretary Root says: 'I am a firm believer in the great benefit that comes from our system of college societies. I think a great benefit is to be found in the association between the members of the different classes. I know many and many a case where the influence of the upper classes over freshmen and sophomores has saved young fellows from going wrong; has pulled them up and done for them what no president or professor could have done. I should be glad to see every student coming to this college under the guidance of upper classmen who will take an interest in his welfare and keep him straight and safe.'"—*The Shield*.

The newly-instituted changes at Princeton are of special interest to fraternity members and have been the subject of much discussion in the fraternity magazines.

"A second, and even a more subtle test, is the changing character of conversation on the campus, at the so-called 'eating clubs.' Things intellectual are now in good form—if spoken of without affectation. Some of them had got in the way of thinking that it was not the thing, you know, to be studying too much; the thing was to enjoy your good comradeship to study some, as much as might become a gentleman—no more; but not to throw yourself heart and soul into the best knowledge, not to make the

acquaintance of the great masters of thought and fancy, not to open the mind. That is changing. The talk is more and more of things intellectual. And out of that is coming—what? I fully believe there is coming the recovery of the lost art of conversation. Perhaps the most visibly notable things is the effect on the university when evening comes. A great number of lights in the rooms; the comparative absence of strolling, roaming crowds; the greater quietude; the general air. Is it the atmosphere of study that is brooding and settling over the old halls in the evening? I think it is.”—Quoted from an article by Andrew West in the *School Review* by the *Key*.

“The social life of Princeton is a study of special interest because that institution is the only one of similar importance that has prohibited the formation of fraternities. Against the Greek letter society Princeton since 1855 has adopted an attitude of hostility, when ten chapters existing there were suppressed. It will be remembered that years ago a chapter of Phi Kappa Psi was initiated sub rosa there, several men from Princeton having been initiated at Lafayette. But this episode figures only on the chapter roll of Pennsylvania Theta. It was long contended that Princeton offered, as a superior substitute for the fraternities, the more democratic literary societies and the class organizations. In view of this contention it is interesting to note that the same evils have grown up in Princeton social life with the creation of which the Greek letter societies are accredited in most of the institutions where they exist. The New York Herald, in an interesting article on the social situation at Princeton, says that the interest of Greek letter societies is attracted to it, because these societies ‘represent in a vague way the college fraternity system.’ But, on the contrary, they represent something entirely different from and inconsistent with Greek letter society development, and the fact that the conditions of which complaint is made have arisen at Princeton is evidence that the Greek letter societies have been affected by the changing social conditions of the colleges and universities, instead of themselves creating these changed conditions.”—*The Shield*.

These virile extracts, though written by a man, of and for men, might, with very little change, touch us as well:

“There is always this danger—a danger of individual and chapter alike—of being satisfied with mere good-fellowship; of substituting for the absolute standard an aristocracy of pink shirts, russet pumps and monogram cigarettes; or of making the fraternity a political ring for the monopoly of class honors, or a select social clique to dress well, dine well, drive fast automobiles, and be admired by the ladies. There is danger in worldly standards, in admitting worldly men whose thoughts, as Dickens says, ‘Are forever regulated by a moral law of gravitation which like the physical

one holds them down to earth.' . . . We concern ourselves more with a man's accidents (in the logical sense) with the exterior man, and form our judgment on slight acquaintance and weak insight. We grasp Mr. Possibility by the hand. 'Glad to know you, Mr. Possibility.' We place him on the divan, and as a council of physicians sit around him and diagnose the case. We take him to the dining-room to see him eat and hear him talk. We feel the pulse of his appetite, note the color of his interests and test the sanity of his thoughts, and after the patient has retired, give our various opinions. He's a good fellow; he smokes good tobacco and is sure to make the team. Or, He's not a gentleman; he took three pieces of cake. Or, He'll amount to nothing, he's a timid, innocent youth, not yet done blushing. Or, What has he accomplished? Nothing, and never will. Or, He's a musty cocoon that will hatch into a smell-fungus, spectacled book-worm or a rusty, green-coated professor at best; he's already a grind. But, profound critic, perhaps behind that quiet bearing there is a heart capable of deep affection and real brotherhood. Perhaps that hearty hail-fellow manner is only a masque for the occasion. Perhaps with that timidity and youth there is a capacity for sympathy and service. Service! That is what is needed—a man to serve. 'A man who can see things; who can feel needs; who can be stirred deeply by lacks; who will refuse to be complacent when chaos reigns; who suffers when good causes suffer. . . . A man who can do things and does them every time he gets a chance; who, having seen a worthy end, works toward it though it be ten thousand miles away; who cannot stand the reproach upon himself of good things left undone; who believes that anything worth believing in is worth working for; . . . who, charged with energy, charges others; who puts ginger into all he sets at, and leaves out the mustard and vinegar; who is all afire and never scorches people; . . . who says, Come on, let's do it! when anything needs being done, and then does it whether anybody comes or not.' A man who will serve, whether it be in washing the dog or in administering the Bond. We must find out whether a man is selfish rather than whether he will make the team; whether he consults his own ease rather than whether he is popular; and whether he is capable of brotherly love, for as Stevenson again says, 'So long as we love we serve; so long as we are loved by others I would almost say we are indispensable, and no man is useless while he has a friend.'"—*Garnet and White* of Alpha Chi Rho.

"That we are first college women and then fraternity women is the foundation of our beliefs concerning the relationship. As 'college women' we all stand on the same ground, sharing, in more or less degree, common interests with every other woman of the community. As 'fraternity women' we have in addition a new privilege."—*The Key*.

From the decalogue published by the *Trident*, we commend the following portions:

"3. Thou shalt not use the name of thy Fraternity in vain boasting for he that doeth so will be held guilty of ill-breeding.

"4. Six days shalt thou labor for thy Fraternity, and even on the seventh rest not, that thy son and thy daughter beholding thee may emulate thy example, thy manservant and thy maidservant, yea even the stranger within thy gates marking thy loyalty may admire and marvel.

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"9. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy rival, however strenuous the rushing.

"10. Thou shalt not covet thy rival's house, thou shalt not covet her auto car, nor her launch, nor her yacht, nor anything that is thy rival's with which she would lead thy chosen one into idolatry, but rather give the best that in thee is to that chosen one showing her her true gods."—*The Trident*.

We cannot commend too highly the stand some of the men's fraternities are openly taking upon "honor in college work."

"In many of our colleges and universities the honor system, so-called, obtains. If honor is to be found anywhere it ought to be among our college men. That a college professor should find it necessary to stand over a class of college men and women while conducting an examination and scrutinize every movement of each student to see that he does not cheat or 'crib' is a serious reflection upon the character of the students. Yet the students themselves, or rather some of their number are responsible for this condition. We would be glad to see our members coöperate with their college mates and instructors in the establishment of the honor system where it is not already in operation. The resulting improvement in college work is important but is inconsequential when compared to the higher instincts of manliness and honor which are inspired by this system wherever adopted."—*The Scroll*.

"Phi Delta Theta, in national convention, has endorsed the honor system. Let every fraternity not only endorse it, but hold its members strictly up to it. This will be hard to do in some places, but it is seldom easy to do right, and it is a sorry crowd that will acknowledge a lack of moral courage.

"Believe me for mine honour, and have respect to mine honour that you may believe."

"A solution can be found in an undertaking between students and faculty based upon these words of Brutus."—*The Record* of S. A. E.

The cry comes from Delta Tau Delta:

"Graduation from college too often means graduation from the Fraternity, and as we sit in the audience and see our brother step up proudly for his sheepskin, the cry comes to our lips, 'Lost! A Frat Man.'

"Now, I say to you lower class men, these same Seniors made you fraternity men, and they have guided you in many ways. The time is now at hand when you may return the kindness. It lies with you to keep them in line. Don't forget it. DO IT NOW. If there are any 'frat men' lost this year or next, it is because *you* did not take the proper steps to retain their interest in the old Chapter and in the Fraternity."

Following upon the thorough investigation into the matter of the protection of fraternity insignia under the laws of the various states, this convention report by Mr. Baird is of interest:

It would appear from a consideration of the statutes referred to, that the unauthorized wearing of a fraternity badge is forbidden in a number of states and that bills looking to the enactment of similar statutes in the other states are constantly being offered. The unauthorized use of fraternity insignia is not prevalent. In fact it is an evil which is more talked about than practiced, and I recommend that your honorable body take no action whatever concerning the matter, but leave the protection of the badge to the statutory enactments of such states as may have legislated concerning the matter, and rely upon the good taste and common sense of the citizens of the other states not to encroach upon our privileges in this direction.

Beta Theta Pi.

It is with hearty fellow-feeling we quote the following:

BU\$INE\$\$ MANAGER'S \$ONG.

How dear to my heart
I\$ the ca\$h of \$ub\$cription,
When the generou\$ \$ub\$criber
Pre\$ent\$ it to view;
But the one who won't pay
I refrain from de\$cription,
For that one, gentle reader,
That one may be you.—Ex.